

WEATHER SYNOPSIS

The barometer is falling all the Northern Coast, and milder weather is becoming general in the Pacific slope and eastward to Montreal.

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RUNAWAY TRAM DIVES OFF BRIDGE

Floods Drive People From Rhine Cities

Streams Threaten Grave Danger in German District—Torrents Sweep Away Bridges

Fields Converted Into Vast Lakes

French Situation Goes From Bad to Worse—Menace Grows as Heavy Rains Continue

COLOGNE, Germany, Dec. 30.—The rivers of southwestern and northern Germany are high above their banks, and the floods threaten great danger. The rise is twenty-five feet above normal and still rising at Cologne, and the waters are encroaching on the city proper. The Moselle railway service and others have been discontinued. Torrents from the Huns mountains have swept away bridges and undermined railway embankments.

Many homeless are making their way out of the Rhine cities of Coblenz, Duisberg and Treves. At Duisberg, 2,000 barges have been wrecked. The Danube is rising to such dimensions that the smallest tributaries have become rushing torrents and the fields are vast lakes. Lake Constance is expected to overflow hourly.

Spreading of the floods is reported from Hamburg and Bremen. PARIS, Dec. 30.—Heavy rains continue in northern France, and the actual damage has been done in that territory despite the threatening situation of the last two days. Reports from all places indicate that the swollen streams make the outlook "very disquieting."

Britain Gaining Hold on U.S. Oil, Scientists Hear

America May Be Forced to Buy British Gasoline as Well as Rubber, Savants Warned

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—British interests are gradually gaining control of the oil industry in this country and the situation may come when "we may be forced to buy our gasoline much as we buy our rubber and coffee," Dr. Roy Cross, secretary and manager of the Kansas City testing laboratory, declared here today at the annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

He said that English concerns now own thirty-eight per cent of the American oil industry and dominate the foreign oil fields. Dr. Cross declared that synthetic gasoline made by treating petroleum at high temperatures and pressures rapidly is becoming the predominating fuel for motor engines.

Runs for Nelson Majority
NELSON, B.C., Dec. 30.—Alderman Irvin A. Austin, tonight announced himself as candidate for mayor of Nelson against ex-Mayor J. E. Anable. He has been twice years as Alderman, not consecutively, and has stood for both the Legislature and Parliament on a Labor or Socialist platform.



Thursday, December 31

365th Day, 1925

THE WEATHER

Victoria and vicinity—Southernly winds, partly cloudy and mild. Sun rises: 8:05 o'clock. Sun sets: 4:38 o'clock.

High Tide: 1:23 p.m., 9.2 feet. Low Tide: 10:23 p.m., 1.7 feet.

Deep Sea Shipping

Arrivals—
St. President Jackson, from Yokohama, 6 a.m.
St. Dunsmuir, from Atlantic seaboard, 8 a.m.
Departures—
St. Kaga Maru, for Yokohama, 5:30 p.m.
St. Ruth Alexander, for California, 11 p.m.

The News

Dominion, Imperial and Foreign—
Canadian trade grows in year. Exporters throw cold water on Geneva peace hopes.
Floods drive people from Rhine cities.
Tacoma street car plunges from bridge into harbor.
Arctic fliers make preparations for polar flight.
Reports of Mount McKinley eruption denied by Alaskan park superintendent.

Titled Smuggler Broke; 700 Backers Lose Money

U.S. Dealers Received Sir Broderick Hartwell's Cargo But Neglected to Make Payment for Liquor

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Many of the 700 investors who took a flier in liquor-running got little comfort out of a statement which Sir Broderick Hartwell, England's titled run-runner, made today at a meeting of his creditors. Sir Broderick appeared in the bankruptcy court. He declared his liabilities as £250,000 sterling and said that his only assets were amounts due from dealers who got the liquor in the United States and who apparently never would pay him a cent. His final shipment to the United States, he asserted, alone was worth £250,000 sterling, but his partner and the dealers to whom the liquor was turned over never paid him a cent. The baronet explained that he met an American in 1923 who asked him to ship him liquor to the United States. Eventually several shipments were made, and in September, 1924, the seventh and last shipment, containing 55,000 cases of proprietary brands of whiskey, was dispatched. Pessimistic reports about the weather and the activity of prohibition officers reached him; then came the report from the captain that the ship's crew was in mutiny and that he had put into Halifax. Later he was advised that the liquor had been transferred to smaller ships and that 350 cases had been seized by prohibition officers.



SIR BRODERICK HARTWELL

The creditors gloomily passed a resolution for bankruptcy and adjourned for the appointment of a trustee.

C.N.R. Making Fine Progress, Says President

New Year's Message Issued by Radio by Sir Henry Thornton—Value of Railway to Public Grows

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—An appreciable enhancement in the value of the Canadian National Railway to the people of the Dominion was indicated by Sir Henry Thornton, K.B.E., chairman of the board, during the course of a special New Year's message delivered tonight in Montreal and broadcast simultaneously from three of the stations operated by the radio department of the system.

Sir Henry summarized the three-year period which has elapsed since the system was brought under one central direction and the present administration placed in charge. Sir Henry stated that, with the loyal, enthusiastic and efficient support of the officers and men many things had been accomplished:

Revenue Increased
"First, we have increased the net revenue from railway operations from approximately \$2,000,000 in 1922 to what will approximate \$30,000,000 in 1925, an increase of about 900 per cent."
"Capitalizing this result and assuming that a five per cent return on capital is reasonable, we find that in 1922 the net return from operation represented five per cent on \$400,000, which is to say, the value of the property to the people of Canada based on earning capacity, had been increased from sixty to six hundred million dollars. This improvement has been largely the result of decreased expenditures, and the result of increased efficiency."

"Notable advancement has been made in improved methods and in progressive work and is continuing."

"I particularly mention the development of the Diesel electric motor vehicle, which will go a long way toward a solution of branch line problems and motor bus competition," said Sir Henry.

Tot Journeys Alone From B.C. to Prairies

REGINA, Dec. 30.—Windmar Arasak, a tot of four, whose parents, Regina on a Canadian Pacific Railway train homeward bound today. The child had traveled from Sicamous, B.C., alone, railway officials taking care of him.

Taught by experience that men in uniform were kind and considerate, the little fellow made fast friends with C.P.R. and city constables at the station soon after his arrival. About his neck was a heavy string with tag attached bearing his name, place of entraining and destination.

Government Agent Dies

CRANBROOK, B.C., Dec. 30.—Fred Small, forty-two, Government agent here since the Spring of 1923, died Tuesday night in St. Eugene Hospital. He had been ill since December 4. He was a native of Prince Edward Island, and came to British Columbia twenty years ago. He was a member of the Masonic Order, and whose funeral will be held.

By-Election Necessary

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Another by-election has been rendered necessary by the appointment, announced today, of A. M. Macdonald, K.C., Conservative member for Herefordshire East, as Collector-General for Scotland in succession to D. F. Fleming, K.C., who has been elevated to the Scottish bench. The new Scottish judge was a Conservative member for Dumfries in the House of Commons.

Professor Butler Raps, Flays and Scores Head Writers

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, admits that he is a "hardened newspaper reader, but confesses that there are four words commonly used in headlines that annoy him exceedingly.

These words are "rap," "assault," "stab" and "flay."

"These pugilistic terms," he says, "are used too indiscriminately."

Australian Wheat Surplus Shows Drop

Forty Million Bushels Less Available for Exportation This Year

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Sydney, Australia, cables that the anticipated exportable wheat surplus of Australia will be 80,000,000 bushels, or 40,000,000 bushels less than the quantity exported after the last harvest.

The farmers have been selling their wheat for four to six weeks later than usual, as they have been reluctant to sell early because they have been in a good financial position since the previous harvest.

The quality of the new wheat crop is high.

Feats of Science Spur Mankind on

Greatest Service of Scientific Learning to World Is Intellectual, Says Savant

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—Great and evident as have been the material services of science, there is another, spiritual, aesthetic, intellectual, which Dr. M. I. Pupin, president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, holds "is the noblest service of science to the human soul."

Contemplation of those wonders which men of science have revealed stimulates man's intellectual and spiritual activity, he said in a symposium on the role which science should play in education.

"During the last three centuries," he said, "science has revealed three distinct, physical realities; the first through the science of matter in motion; the second through the science of electricity in motion; and the third through the science of cosmic energy in motion."

"Everything that moves and has its being in this boundless universe seems to be deriving its breath of existence from electrical forces which have their origin in tiny electrons—the unchangeable granules of that subtle substance which we call electricity."

Returned Soldiers Up in Arms Against Beer Order-in-Council

A STORM of protest echoed in returned soldiers' clubs of the city yesterday as a result of the restrictive liquor regulations approved by order-in-council on Christmas Eve, and the formation from executives of various organizations of a delegation to wait upon members of the Government was in progress last night.

Flyers Making Preparations For Pole Dash

Two Fokker Planes Now Being Assembled at New York for March Trip Into Arctic Sea

Preliminary Flight Will Test Machines

Four-Hundred-Mile Journey From Fairbanks to Point Barrow Will Give Monoplanes Tryout

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NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The second largest monoplane ever assembled in this country is now being prepared for flight at the Hasbrouck Heights Works of the Atlantic Aircraft Corporation. When it is motorized with its three air-cooled Wright engines it will be able to fly more than 2,500 miles without refueling.

At the same time another group of mechanics is putting additional gasoline tanks in a slightly smaller monoplane which has already been equipped with a single Liberty engine. With these tanks the Liberty engine will drive this plane nearly 3,200 miles without refueling.

Both of the planes are Fokkers. They have been purchased by the board of control of the Detroit Arctic Expedition, and will start early in the new year on their long journey to Point Barrow, Alaska, whence Captain George H. Wilkins will attempt to fly across the unexplored polar sea to Spitzbergen.

Only one of them will be used on the flight. The other will be used in flights over the ice pack in case Captain Wilkins discovers new land. The choice of the plane to be used on the longer flight will be made by Captain Wilkins after he reaches the Arctic.

Consequently the earliest stage of the flight—the 400-mile trip from Fairbanks, Alaska, to Point Barrow—will be a test. It will be a test of engine rather than of plane, because the planes are identical in type, although the three-engine machine will have a greater wing spread. The test flight will determine whether a water-cooled Liberty or an air-cooled Wright performs more satisfactorily under Arctic conditions. It will be a performance race between engines—and

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Britain to Cheapen Electricity Supply

Government Devising Plan for Unification of Plants—Plan to Build Super-Stations

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The British Government has completed a comprehensive plan for cheapening the national supply of electricity, in the use of which this country is far behind the United States and many European states. Details of the plan will not be available until next month, when the Cabinet is expected to sanction the necessary legislation by Parliament. The general scheme is unification of the electrical power plants by areas, a large reduction in their number, and the erection of super-stations with trunk lines and feeders to carry the power about the country.

Extensive use of electricity would reduce the smoke evil in England's industrial districts, lower production costs, and relieve the country of the countryside, where many rural industries are dying through lack of cheap power.

Worst Gale in 30 Years Sweeps Western Europe

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Gales and torrential rains, the worst of the winter, are beating the waters of the channel and parts of the Atlantic and sweeping over England and Western Europe. Steamships crossing the Bay of Biscay report the worst conditions in thirty years. London is also storm-swept.

Found Hanging From Beam

ANTOX, B.C., Dec. 30.—Albert Bowles, thirty-eight, was found dead hanging from a beam in the round-house of the Granby Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company by another employee. An inquest was immediately ordered by Coroner R. M. McIlwain and a verdict returned that he took his own life while temporarily of unsound mind.

May Succeed Mr. Patenaude

QUEBEC, Dec. 30.—It is understood in Conservative circles that J. L. St. Jacques, recent victor in Argenteuil, will take the place of Hon. E. L. Patenaude in the Conservative ranks of the Quebec Legislature, which opens here January 7.

Woman Surgeon Dies

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Dame Louisa Brandreth Aldrich-Blenk, pioneer among women surgeons, is dead. She carried on her duties almost to the last, despite intense suffering for more than a year.

Tacoma Street Car Plunges Through Open Draw of Bridge Eighty Feet Into Bay Below

Climbs From Sick Bed On Sixtieth Birthday



MR. RUDYARD KIPLING

BURWASH, England, Dec. 30.—Mr. Rudyard Kipling's most welcome birthday gift today, his sixtieth anniversary, was permission from his doctor to climb out of bed and, for the first time since the beginning of his attack of pneumonia, sit by the bedside for a while.

Long before noon telegrams and cables bearing birthday greetings began to arrive from all over Britain and from foreign countries.

Canadian Trade Grows in Year

Total of Imports and Exports in 1925 Show Increase of \$225,000,000

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—The sum of Canada's trade in 1925 will greatly exceed that of 1924.

Latest figures available at the Bureau of Statistics show that in the eleven months ended November 30, 1925, the total of the Dominion's trade was \$1,983,740,644. In the whole twelve months of 1924 the total trade was valued at \$1,666,252,471. Figures for December, 1925, are not available, but if the current month shows as high a trade as last year the increase in 1925 over 1924 will be around \$225,000,000.

Imports during 1925 in the eleven months are valued at \$1,134,940,040. Exports totalled \$1,098,421,624. In the corresponding period of 1924 imports reached \$747,249,085 and exports \$624,436, making a total trade for the period of \$1,450,772,520. The total duty collected on Canada's imports will be approximately \$20,000,000 higher in 1925 than in 1924.

Forty-Two Killed In Mining Mishap

Disaster Scatters Death in Mexico—Score of Other Workers Injured

EAGLE PASS, Tex., Dec. 30.—Forty-two bodies, many badly mangled, have been brought out of a Mexican National Railroad coal mine disaster which occurred Saturday, where an explosion occurred Saturday, and latest reports this afternoon were that other dead probably were in the mine. A score of miners seriously injured have been accounted for.

The blast is supposed to have been caused by the breaking of a miner's safety lamp, which ignited gas in the mine.

Unknown Briton Gives \$100,000 to Canadian Anglican Institutions

REGINA, Dec. 10.—An anonymous giver in England, who has already donated more than \$10,000 to churches of England institutions in Regina, is making another gift approximately of \$100,000, to give entirely present indebtedness of Grace Anglican Church. Other gifts made were: Maple Leaf Hotel, total cost \$46,000; and furnishings, \$10,000; building new bishop's palace, \$35,000; defraying cost of repairing Grace Church, \$35,000.

Victorian Discovered Unconscious in Park

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—A man believed to be Charles Croft, of North Park Street, Victoria, is in St. Paul's Hospital here after having been found unconscious on the ground in Stanley Park yesterday afternoon.

He is suffering from the effects of what Dr. F. X. McPhillips, the physician attending him, believes to be carbolic acid poisoning. When he recovered consciousness he was very restless.

Death Toll Uncertain—Four Passengers Die in Hospitals—Other Bodies Believed to Be Entangled in Wreckage on Harbor Bottom—Trolley Dashes Down Hill and Shoots Out Into Space

Half-Crazed Motorman Sobs Story Of Futile Effort to Stop Trolley

TACOMA, Dec. 30.—Four persons were killed and four others injured this evening when a municipal street car plunged through the open draw of the 11th Street bridge and dived eighty feet to the waters of the bay.

The dead are: G. A. Farrow, railway clerk; Mrs. Robert Scott and Robert Scott, Jr.; and Tojiro Ohyoshi, a Japanese. Earl Hurd, a railway engineer was slightly injured. Chris Nelson suffered a broken shoulder and other injuries. Charles Staley, motorman, escaped by jumping and fled from the scene.

Europe Certain To Fight Again, Fascists Think

Black Shirt Press Doubts Worth of Peace Parley—Locarno Pact Dubbed Colossal Deception

ROME, Dec. 30.—The meeting of Premier Mussolini and Sir Austen Chamberlain, the British Foreign Secretary, at Rapallo yesterday, furnished occasion for the Fascist press to renew today its previous strong expressions of skepticism regarding the League's proposed disarmament meetings.

In addition to the extremist L'Impero and Il Tevere, which continue to fulminate against Germany, even the Corriere d'Italia, which usually is comparatively mild, emphasizes the assumption that the Italian Premier and Sir Austen talked about the new Russo-Turkish treaty rather than the plans for giving effect to the pacific principles laid down by the treaties of Locarno.

The Corriere d'Italia says clouds of trouble appear everywhere. In the Orient the Chinese anarchy is overshadowed by another fire which again places the United States and Japan face to face.

L'Impero, under the title of "The Utopia of Disarmament," says that Europe is more than ever a powder mine. This paper enumerates many questions which might torch the match at any time, and devotes more than a column to trying to prove that Germany, in spite of her professions of helplessness, is probably the best armed nation in Europe, principally because of her united spirit of revenge.

Locarno a Deception

Il Tevere declares that the "spirit of Locarno appears more and more as a colossal deception which is damaging to sincere, honest and chivalrous peoples."

The Journal says that Locarno is a benefit to France, but only because it represented an internal victory for the Government in power, but that in reality Germany has profited most because Locarno enabled Germany to "chloroform the rest of Europe."

Roses Bloom at Rupert

PRINCE RUPERT, Dec. 30.—As an indication of the mildness of mid-winter weather here, roses in full bloom are to be seen in the gardens of L. W. Patmore and J. C. Melanson.

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Point Grey Reeve Sued by Ratepayer

Owner of Wrong Abduction House Starts Action for \$2,500 Against Mr. Paton

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—Counsel acting for Mrs. Amy Walker, wife of Wm. Walker, has filed a writ in Supreme Court against Reeve J. A. Paton, of Point Grey, seeking \$2,500. Mrs. Walker is the owner of the house on Twenty-Fifth Avenue, Point Grey, in which Wong Foon Sing, Chinese houseboy, was kept a prisoner for forty days early in the year.

French Chamber Passes Budget 115 Votes to 24

BRUSSELS, Dec. 30.—The Chamber of Deputies gave final approval today to the Government's budget for 1926 by a vote of 115 to 24. The budget places receipts at \$388,000,000 francs and expenditures, \$379,000,000 francs.

Rupert Building Figures

PRINCE RUPERT, Dec. 30.—The value of building permits for the year is slightly in excess of \$1,323,119.

RED-TAG SALE

SPECIAL!

For Today Only

20 PAIRS ONLY
Cut Glass Daisy Cut Salt and Pepper Shakers, silver-plated tops with mother of pearl inlays. This is a wonderful buy. Regular price \$2 a pair. Today only, to clear for, pair,

89c

Each pair packed in a cardboard box. Only one pair to each customer.

BUTTER DISHES

Silver-plated, with white crystal star cut lining, extra large size. Regular \$3 each. Special for today only. To clear, each,

99c

Only one to a customer.

MANTEL CLOCKS

Eight-Day Mantel Clock, strikes the hour and half-hour; fully guaranteed. Reg. price \$16.75. Special for sale today \$9.85 only, each.

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Returned Soldiers Up In Arms Against Beer Order-in-Council

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the cost of cartage, glass breakage, electric light and general overhead. A fifty-cent locker charge will not provide sufficient money to cover this overhead, the contention is. Some veterans are of the opinion that the new regulations, if enforced, will mean the abolition of the serving of beer in returned soldiers' clubs.

Yesterday Mr. Davidson declared that the new regulations were designed only to carry out the real intent of the Liquor Act, and indicated that the new rules would remain in effect despite protests.

"Before the new rules were framed I gave the matter a great deal of thought," said Mr. Davidson. "They are framed as a matter of definite policy. All I am endeavoring to do is to carry out the spirit of the statute, and the new rules are designed to keep clubs within the intent of the Liquor Act."

Mr. Davidson said he had not had time yet to look into the protests which he understood were being filed against the new rules, but added that he would investigate these complaints immediately.

"I also intend to look into the regulations themselves as officially promulgated to make sure that they contain no change from the plans we had laid down," he said. "Unless they have made some change of this sort they will stand."

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—The state dinner will not be held on the night of the opening of Parliament. Announcement is made that the dinner will be held at a date to be announced later instead of the night of the opening.

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Fine Ceylon Tea, lb. 40c
Strong Bulk Cocoa, lb. 13c
B. C. Sugar, 20 lb. for \$1.25

Malkin's Orange Marmalade, 4-lb. tin for 55c
Clark's Plum Puddings, 27c
Sun-Maid Puffed Seeded Raisins, 2 lbs. for 25c

Clark's Catsup, per bottle, 18c
Sun-Maid Prunes, lb. 11c

Choice Mixed Candy, lb. 15c
3 lbs. for 40c
Bulk Chocolates, lb. 25c
French Creams, reg. 35c lb. 25c
Hand-Rolled Chocolates, 5 lb. boxes for \$1.50

Strictly New Laid Eggs—Frisks, per dozen, 45c
Pullet Extras, per dozen 39c

Choice Table Butter, lb. 47c
3 lbs. for \$1.35
Premier Home, lb. 20c
Home-Made Mince-meat, lb. 17c
Sliced Bologna, lb. 18c
Peanut Butter, lb. 16c

Fletcher's Choice Baked Ham, sliced; per pound 55c
Prime Beef, Young Pork, Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens

Turkeys, in all sizes; lb. 42c, 40c, 35c and 25c
Boiling Fowl, lb. 30c and 27c
Loins of Pork, lb. 30c and 27c
Pork Sausage Meat, 2 lbs. 52c
Boiling Pork, lb. 25c

Quaker Corn, 2 tins 25c
O.K. Tomatoes, large tin 13c
Prepared Almond Paste, lb. 50c

Choice Raisins, 1-lb. box 18c
New Dates, lb. 10c
Large Grapefruit, 5 for 25c
Jap. Oranges, per box 72c
Large Cauliflowers, each 15c
Hobson Crackers, all at cost price.

Selected Alberta Butter, lb. 48c
3 lbs. for \$1.42
New Zealand Butter, lb. 49c
3 lbs. for \$1.45
Domestic Shortening, 1-lb. pack- et for 18c

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Noted Chinese Shot Down By Son of Slain General

"Little Hsu," Long Prominent in Peking Intrigues, Killed by Lu Cheng-Wu—Father's Murder Avenged, Slayer Writes—Assassin Proclaims Identity

PEKING, Dec. 30.—General Hsu Shu-Cheng, popularly known as "Little Hsu," was shot and killed on the railway station platform at Langfang last night while in the company of several members of his staff. The assassin, self-proclaimed in a country-wide manifesto, was Lu Cheng-Wu, a captain in the Kuomintang (National People's) army and son of General Lu Chien-Chang, whom "Little Hsu" shot in La's garden at Tientsin while a dinner guest there in 1918. Capt. Lu, who apparently has not been arrested, declared his act was in revenge of his father's murder. Lu is a cousin of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, formerly

Hsu was at one time private secretary to Tzuang Chi-Jui, the present Chief Executive. He was prominent in Peking in 1927 during the armed struggle between Chihli military leaders and the Anfu Club, and was in chief command of the Anfu north-west frontier army. He took refuge in the Japanese legation here after the Anfu defeat. In October, 1922, he was implicated in a revolt against the turban (military governor) of Fukien province.

Waited Seven Years

Lu Chien-Chang, father of Lu's assassin, had been appointed special commissioner to the southern prov-



GENERAL HSU SHU-CHENG
Shot Down at the Railway Station at Langfang Last Night by the Son of General Lu Chien-Chang, Slain by Hsu Seven Years Ago.

styled the "Christian General," who commands the Kuomintang forces which recently occupied Tientsin.

Hsu had just arrived after a tour of Europe, the United States and Japan, where he studied political, economic and military affairs for the Peking government. He had reported to the Chief Executive and left Peking yesterday to visit General Sun Chuan-fang, governor of Chiang, and other military leaders at Tientsin, when his train was bombed at Langfang.

When Hsu shot him, and was generally declared to have been the victim of a political intrigue.

The murder at Tientsin created widespread indignation, but Hsu's political influence protected him and kept him for two years longer at his post in command of the north-west defenses.

In explaining his action, the assassin wrote:

"I waited seven long years to avenge the shooting of my father. By the help of his spirit Hsu has not escaped my hand."

Flyers Start Preparations For Pole Dash

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a stiff race, because of the heavy loads that must be carried to Point Barrow, and the high mountains that must be crossed.

In this race, each of the planes will have certain advantages on paper. The single-engine machine will have a greater flying radius. The hop front Point Barrow to Spitzbergen is about 2,100 miles and the Liberty-engine Plover should do that easily, even if it should meet adverse winds over part of the journey. The range of the three-engine ship will be long, but entirely adequate for the other two.

From the point of view of range alone, it would necessarily yield to the smaller craft.

Three Engines or One?

But Captain Wilkins has repeatedly stated that the Arctic sea is not the best place to cruise with only one engine. The sea currents carry the ice, breaking it apart here and there, leaving it in jagged ridges. Every estimate that in the winter about twenty-five per cent of the surface is open water. The water channels freeze rapidly, forming a maze of smooth young ice. Elsewhere there are smooth stretches of old ice. But these potential landing places may be mellow apart, and consequently the polar aviator finds an advantage in three engines.

If the Liberty engine dies, that plane must make a forced landing. If one of the three Wright engines dies in the larger plane, the other two will be sufficient to continue the flight while search is made for a possible landing place. The big Plover, with only one engine running, has kept aloft with a load of 3,000 pounds. With two engines moving it has climbed 350 feet per minute with a load of 4,000 pounds.

The larger plane has a wing-spread of seventy-two feet. No other monoplane ever seen in this country has had such an expanse of wing, except the Fokker T-3, which Lieutenants Oakley Kelly and John Macready drove on their 2,520-mile non-stop flight from New York to San Diego.

The wings of both planes are constructed of wood and are airtight. It is said that they will float their machines for several days and so serve the pilots as life-rats in case of a forced landing.

Wheels vs. Skids

Captain Wilkins is still in doubt, he said here today, as to whether he will fly the planes with skids or wheels. They will probably be fitted with both. But he believes that wheels will give the planes greater "braking power," and therefore enable him to make a quicker stop on the doubtful "landing fields" of the Arctic sea. The Plover wheeled planes are fitted with drum type brakes. Amundsen's Dornier-Wal planes carried skids. MacMillan's Loane Amphibians carried skids.

Both of the Wilkins planes will have a much greater flying range than did Amundsen's machines.

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Canadian Delegate to Pan-American Congress



MR. FREDERICK HUDD
Canadian Trade Commissioner in New York, and Canada's official delegate to the Pan-American Congress.

Wise Controversy Stirs Gotham Jews

Rabbi's Words About Jesus Declared Insufficient Cause for Giving Up Position

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The controversy among Jewish leaders over the speech of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise last Sunday in which he said that Jesus of Nazareth was not a myth, but a man, and that the Jews must embrace his teachings, was the foremost topic in Jewish religious circles.

While Dr. Nathan Kraus, of the Temple Emanuel, in a sermon before his congregation, was upholding the right of Dr. Wise to his personal opinions concerning Jesus, the national headquarters for the United Palestine Appeal announced that scores of telegrams were being received from all parts of the country in protest against the resignation of Dr. Wise as chairman of the \$5,000,000 campaign which is being conducted.

The announcement said that orthodox rabbis and presidents of orthodox synagogues joined with other Zionist leaders in urging the executive committee of the campaign to refuse to accept Dr. Wise's resignation, which he tendered on the ground that it might be to the interest of the appeal if he withdrew. The messages also criticized the resolution of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis demanding the chairman's resignation, the announcement said.

Mr. Samuel Untermyer, president of the Palestine Foundation Fund, one of the bodies engaged in the campaign, came out in support of Dr. Wise in a letter containing assurances that he would "vote and use whatever influence I may possess against accepting your resignation."

Mr. Untermyer stated that an attack against Dr. Wise could not be "justified or accused."

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Selection of People for Work They Can Do Best Would Double Productivity of Nation

Alphabet Revision Urged

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 28.—Ailinging vistas wherein human productivity would be increased, happiness bestowed upon the human race and the scientist receive his place among the "masters of the world," were suggested at a general convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science here by Dr. J. McKen Cattell, retiring president. With scientifically applied psychological tests, he said, all persons could learn the form of industry in which they could engage with the greatest efficiency and consequent happiness, while production would be more than doubled.

The address covered a wide range, including a jibe at the popularity of psycho-analysis, which he termed "not so much a question of science as a matter of taste," a suggestion that tuition fees at universities be increased or lowered in proportion to student accomplishment, and a proposal for revision of the alphabet characters to make them more readable. Psychological tests, which, he said, were growing in popularity in the schools, should be applied as freely to determine and to aid the unusually brilliant students as to discover the deficient.

The most important work for psychology, said Dr. Cattell, "and the most useful applications are the measurement of individual, group and racial differences and determination of the extent to which these depend upon native endowment and subsequent experience. Indeed it may be argued that this is the most pressing problem of science today."

Selection Would Be Valuable

"If each of us, from the moron to the national President, were selected for the work we can do best, the work fitted in the best way to the individual and the best training given him, the productivity of the nation would be more than doubled and the happiness of each would be correspondingly increased."

It is absurd that researches whose economic value can only be told in billions of dollars and whose contribution to human welfare is even more immeasurable, should await the pleasure of a few academic psychologists who take them up in the intervals between coaching the members of the junior social and athletic club and helping with the family housework.

In our competitive and capitalistic system, services to an individual corporation are paid for only in the currency of reputation, titles, degrees and the like. A surgeon may receive \$10,000 for saving or killing a patient. If, after years of research, he should discover a cure or prevention for appendicitis or cancer, he not only would not be paid for his work, but would lose all future fees. Scientists should take their place among the masters of the modern world."

Alphabet Revision Urged

Dr. Cattell declared that "our letters have been handed down from the past as such else in our civilization, and should be adjudged to meet modern conditions."

"They were developed largely for their ease in writing, whereas, since the invention of the printing press we are concerned only with the ease in reading."

The letter "B" he held to be the most illogical of the upper case, and "G" of the lower case. Other letters, he asserted, are hard to read because of their similarity.

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to individual leadership, cannot be accomplished through ordinary means, psychology providing the only reliable instrument. No correlation, he said, has been found in research at Columbia University between the size and the shape of the head or features and ability.

"The reading of character by physiognomy or graphology," he asserted, "is the perpetration of charlatanism."

Climbing Fujiyama Is Great Experience

There Is Nothing So Exhilarating and Purifying to the Soul, Writer Declares

The ninth Mt. seemed only a short distance above this, but it took nearly three-quarters of an hour to reach it. While we were on the way the sun disappeared behind the mountain, and a moment later the wind suddenly ceased and all around the noise of the wind was succeeded by an intense calm. Almost immediately the temperature seemed to rise many degrees. From feeling so cold that it was difficult to keep one's grip on the ice-axe, one suddenly felt quite warm, if not overheated. If one were assured of such an absence of wind as this, the climbing of the mountain would prove comparatively easy.

Although in good weather the ninth hut is only twenty minutes from the very top, and in the delightful calm that succeeded the storm it would have been very easy to make it. The agreement with the guide to meet him at a fixed time made it necessary to turn back from here. It was very pleasant going down. The solemn stillness coupled with the grandeur of the mountain was most impressive. We doubt if there is anything more wonderful in this world in its majestic beauty than the snow-covered sides of a great mountain. If anything exceeds it, it is to be up on the top of that same mountain looking down on a vast panorama many thousands of feet below. We have enjoyed this many times climbing in Switzerland, and little expected to be privileged with the same experience on Japan's great mountain. To be up alone or with a few friends in such surroundings in like suddenly stepping into another world. There is nothing so exhilarating and so purifying to one's own soul. Expressed in song—and one finds it hard to refrain from song in such surroundings—the grandest music of the hymn books seems inadequate.—J. Spencer Kennard, Jr., in The Japan Advertiser.

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Nobel Winner Was Rated as Plodder Once

Professor Siegbahn Showed
No Signs of Brilliant Attainment in School Days
—Hoped for Military Life

X-Ray Study Won
Fame in Physics

Of Modest and Retiring Disposition, He Did Not Lose Day's Work When Given High Honor

Rated as below the average in school, and now, at the age of thirty-nine, winner of the Nobel Prize in physics—such is the record of Professor Karl Manne Siegbahn, of the ancient University of Uppsala, who received the only Nobel Prize given out this year. At thirty-four he was appointed a full professor at the University of Lund, after having the year before refused an invitation to a similar post at the German University of Prague, and at thirty-seven years old he was called to preside over the physics department at Uppsala, the highest academic honor in Sweden, says The New York Herald Tribune. Internationally he is known as one of the world's foremost experts on the mysteries of the X-rays, and it was his discovery in this field that won him the Nobel Prize.

But in school his masters did not regard him as a particularly bright boy. Since his fame as a Nobel Prize winner has spread through the world his marks at the High School of Hudikvallen, in Northern Sweden, have been looked up, and they turned out to be far from high, especially during the first years. Even in his favorite subjects, those of mathematics and physics, his final graduation mark was quite ordinary. Now, with the exception of Dr. F. G. Bantling, of Toronto, who two years ago won the Nobel Prize in medicine for the discovery of insulin at the age of thirty-two, he ranks with Professor R. A. Millikan, of California, as the youngest man who ever received a Nobel Prize in any subject, each being thirty-nine at the time.

Hoped for Military Life
Originally Siegbahn intended to follow a military career, but after leaving the school at Hudikvallen, in the vicinity of which his father was a stationmaster, he entered the High School of Science in Stockholm, and there, his increasing prowess in physics encouraged him to enter the University of Lund, in Southern Sweden, instead of the military academy. His progress there was unusually rapid, and at twenty-six years of age he won his doctor's degree in physics and was immediately appointed an instructor, and four years later, assistant professor at his alma mater.

As a rule, the Nobel Prize winners have been greybeards, causing the snickers in the Swedish press to refer to the money as "funeral expenses," but in the field of science the French motto of "Place a la jeunesse" seems to have been adopted by the Swedish judges. As the prize given Professor Siegbahn was the postponed one for 1924, the Swedish Academy of Science will next year give out a national no fewer than four, two in physics and two in chemistry, while the Academy of Medicine and that of Letters will each give out one. The 1925 prizes being reserved until 1926.

During the twenty-four years that the Nobel Foundation has been in existence more than a hundred prizes, totalling about \$4,000,000, have been scattered over all the world. Nine awards have gone to citizens of the United States, eight to Sweden, Germany tops the list with twenty-one, and France comes next with twenty-one. British subjects have obtained The Nobel and left by Alfred Nobel, the Swedish engineer and explosives magnate, now amounts to about \$18,000,000, left in the care of a board of trustees.

Each year the income is divided into five equal parts, which are then given as prizes, but owing to increased taxation and reduced earnings from the investments since the World War the annual amounts have shrunk from more than \$400,000 to about \$300,000 for each prize. It undistributed more than one year the prize money reverts to the fund. During the World War, the Peace Prize, awarded by the Norwegian Parliament, was withheld for three years in succession and the prize in Medicine for four years.

Only once before has the Physics Prize been given to a Swede, but twice to Americans—Professor A. A. Michelson, of Chicago, in 1907, and to Professor Millikan in 1923. The previous winner was Gustaf Dalen, inventor of the automatic, hearse, which won the prize in 1912. The American inventor is the bleakest coast throughout the world, as well as originator of the blinkers that warn automobiles at so many American cross roads. The "Elium of Sweden" is the title applied to Mr. Dalen, but while the American inventor is hard of hearing, the Swede is totally blind, having lost both eyes in an explosion while making experiments.

Honors Won by X-Rays
Only once before has a Nobel Prize come to a member of the faculty at Uppsala. In 1911, when Professor Alvar Gullstrand received that in Medicine for his work on the eye, which was also the only time that prize was ever given to a Swede. Curiously enough, it was the discoverer of the X-rays, the German Professor Wilhelm K. Röntgen, of the University of Munich, who, in 1901, obtained the first Physics Prize ever given out, and since that time the same honor has been bestowed six times on research workers on the same mysterious rays.

It is in two fields that Professor Siegbahn has done pioneering work, the inner structure of the atom and

Former Air Minister On Visit to Canada



LT. HON. LORD THOMSON
C.B.E., D.S.O., P.C., who is visiting Canada. Lord Thomson was British military representative in the Balkans from 1915 to 1917, and became Air Minister in Ramsay MacDonald's Cabinet.

City Urges That Dredging Be Done In Inner Harbor

THE City Council yesterday sent a telegram to the Federal Department of Public Works urging that dredging operations be carried out in the Inner Harbor, particularly in front of the city's wharf at the end of Garbally Road, and in front of the sawmill wharves.

The exact difference between the light given out by the X-rays and ordinary light. As a rule discoveries in one lead to new knowledge in the other. Between ordinary light and the X-rays there is still, Professor Siegbahn has admitted to an interview, an unexplored gap, the complete bridging of which is the goal of several scientists. "While we here in Sweden proceed from the X-ray light and work toward the ordinary kind," said Professor Siegbahn, "Professor R. A. Millikan, of California, has attacked the problem in the opposite direction. We may meet halfway and, by joining results, obtain a comprehensive view of the atom structure."

Improved X-Ray Pictures
Before the Chemical Society of Stockholm Professor Siegbahn also has demonstrated in a lecture, given since he received the prize, a new apparatus, completed only the day before, in which improved photographs of the X-ray spectra had been obtained. Those he showed related to the atomic structure of aluminum and copper, both of which were found to be more complicated than the atomic structure of the elements. Professor Siegbahn told the chemists, the research workers in the X-ray field are likely to work more and more on the border of chemistry, especially in the study of the X-ray effect when the atoms of a substance enter a chemical union with those of another.

Professor Siegbahn, who last Spring received the American scientific institutions, now has pupils at the universities of Paris, Prague, Manchester and London who apply his methods, as well as in several American technical laboratories. Orders for apparatus designed by him have been received in Uppsala from as far away as India.

Professor Siegbahn is exceedingly modest and retiring. Not for a day did he interrupt his work on account of receiving the great prize, which was a complete surprise to him, and the money he will devote to further research work in the X-ray field. The news of the award reached him over the telephone while he was attending the annual family "gossamer" dinner, which corresponds to the American Thanksgiving, and his wife, who is as vivacious as he is reserved, said the slightest idea of what the message her husband was receiving was about, as all she heard him say was, "Fine, of course."

Imperial Debaters Coming in March

University Team From Britain
Due in Canada January 10
—On Coast in Spring

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—The Imperial debating team, which is touring the British dominions, debating with universities, debating societies and clubs, will arrive in Canada on January 10. It was announced at McGill University today. The team consists of four members, representing the older and newer universities of Britain, and is made up as follows: Mr. A. H. E. Molloy, representing Oxford; Mr. T. P. Macdonald, University of Edinburgh; Mr. Paul Reed, University of London, and Mr. R. N. May, Birmingham University.

The subjects of debate are as follows: The Geneva protocol; the question of the maintenance of a naval base at Singapore; and "that Western civilization is becoming a degenerating influence to mankind." The visiting team will begin their programme on January 13, when they debate with Acadia University, Nova Scotia. They will engage in a series of debates in the Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario, and the four Western provinces, reaching Vancouver for a debate with the University of British Columbia, March 5.

Tourists Bring Manitoba \$25,000,000 for Year

WINNIPEG, Dec. 30.—Increased tourist business in Manitoba has brought to the province an additional income of about \$25,000,000 in the past year, according to Mayor Ralph Webb. With the completion of new roads from Winnipeg to the international boundary a great increase in tourist traffic for the next season is predicted by the mayor.

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Father Althoff, Former Resident Dies at Nelson

Veteran Catholic Priest Explains
Symptoms of Illness to
His Physician

NELSON, Dec. 30.—Rev. John Althoff, for some years priest of this parish and for last six years vicar-general of Kootenay, died this morning while telling his symptoms of illness to his physician, a few hours after celebrating mass as usual at the Church of Mary Immaculate. The venerable priest, who was a native of Holland, was seventy-two years of age. In comparative youth he migrated to the United States and in the early days of Alaska was stationed there as a missionary, when he was, as he himself often said, as "green as grass." He had large private means and personally built or contributed largely to most of the parish installations here. He had been in poor health for the past year. He was stationed in Victoria for some years before coming to the upper country as a missionary.

Rev. John Althoff was a priest in the Diocese of Victoria for about twenty-four years, leaving here about twenty years ago to go to the Vancouver diocese. Six years ago he was appointed vicar-general of Vancouver arch-diocese.

Attached to the staff of St. Andrew's Cathedral here for seven years, during the periods when Bishop Christie and Bishop Orth occupied the See, Father Althoff is well remembered by many in this diocese who had the benefit of his ministrations. An old clerical associate in the diocese last evening contributed the following appreciation of the deceased priest.

"Right Rev. John Althoff was a very zealous priest, attentive to duty and excelling in the care of the sick and the deserving poor. He succeeded.

Have your photograph made for the friends who sent you theirs.

Prisoner Awarded Nine Months for Jail Break

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 30.—Nick Koran, who escaped from Okalla prison farm on May 7, 1923, after serving nearly four months of a nine months' sentence, was sentenced by Judge Howay in County Court today to nine months in Okalla for jail breaking. As Koran had five months to serve on his old sentence the award means an additional four months. He was recaptured in Saskatchewan two weeks ago.

"Well, you have already good protection against fire," conceded the persistent insurance salesman, "but how about a little hail insurance?" "Such an idea!" snorted the business man. "How could you start a hail storm?"



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EXCELLENT SEAMANSHIP

In spite of the fact that every form of transportation has been handicapped in and around Vancouver during the past few days—motoring, street railways and even pedestrian movements—because of the dense fog which has overhung the city, the Narrows and Burrard Inlet, extending far out over the Straits of Georgia, the steamers of the B. C. Coast S.S. Service have maintained their sailings. In some cases, owing to the care that has to be exercised in navigation, they have not been altogether able to keep to their schedules, but no sailings have been cancelled. This is a tribute to the seamanship of the officers and the crews of these vessels. Within comparatively recent years the people of this community have had opportunities of knowing how serious temporary isolation from the mainland may prove. Much of the difficulty of the past has been overcome, and that communication should now be maintained in the way it is when the mariner's worst enemy is at large constitutes an effort on the part of the B. C. Coast S.S. Service that is deserving of the highest praise.

LEARNING TO WORK

Sir Flinders Petrie, the great archaeologist, has been commenting on the misdirection of modern educational methods and he puts his opinions in a way which compels attention. His text is the statement of the British Minister of Education in which he deplores the preference that exists for "black-coat" occupations. That preference, Sir Flinders believes, is due to the fact that for 50 years children have been made to sit still on benches and only use books. They grow preferring an indoor life. Britain, he says, has inherited a system devised during the last few centuries for training hard workers and it has been blindly applied to hand workers. He asks what the countryman needs for success in life, and answers his own question by saying: First, a physique "blowz with health and wind and rain," while the townsman needs to resist sedentary chill and close rooms. His belief is that the countryman must grow up almost entirely in the open air. He must be weatherwise to guide his daily work in other words, he must be learned under an open sky. He must know the crops, their management and diseases, the soils, their treatment and mode of working. He must be instinctively familiar with cattle and tend them from the time he can toddle. He should know all the wild plants and animals, their good and evil. Every girl, he believes, should know how to live on the country as far as possible, and not on packets from a grocery.

In his estimation, if his dicta were followed, the work of the schoolmaster in the warm months should be in the fields, and the schoolroom training in the winter should be adapted also to the countryside. "When the age of reasoning is developed," says Sir Flinders, "it is time to teach the principles which underlie the practical knowledge. The structure of men and animals, first aid, and the recognition of disease; the chemistry of soils and plants; the economic structure of business; of society and of nations—all this should be supplemented by plenty of biographical history, the lives of great men, their discoveries, successes and failures, and how much we inherit from their labors. Probably three hours a day for half the year would suffice for this seriously handled. Music should be based on portable instruments and singing, so as to be a home subject, even the humble concertina is far better than gramophone and wireless, for we need to cultivate individual ability and effort."

That is the advice that Sir Flinders gives for education in the countryside, but he admits it must be wholly different in towns. Yet within he suggests that even in the town the need of instinctive co-operation of hand and eye is greater there than it is in the countryside. The first object of education he insists is to encourage the natural instinct to do and see a result. By killing that instinct the workman is killed. "All teaching," he says, "should proceed from the concrete familiarity, to the linking of facts into general explanations. It is the opposite to the theoretical view of a subject, which is the wrong order of learning. The black-coat idea of a broad platform of general knowledge, and an aftergrowth of specialization, is born of Civil Service examinations; if true for mental professions, it is yet useless where the physical and bodily training is the essential basis of earning a living."

In conclusion, he asks: "Is a violinist trained on books, till he knows the theory of music, before he is put to the position of playing?"

DEPRESSION IN SHIPPING

Lord Inchcape, Chairman of the P. and O. Steam Navigation Company, says that the past year has been the worst that shipping has ever experienced. This is due to the high running costs of vessels, to heavy dock and labor charges, to a shortage of cargo in almost every direction and to low rates for freight. Among other things the troubles in China have seriously affected trade, as have the labor strikes in Australia and South Africa. In his company there is a reduction of the dividend on the Deferred Stock from 12 to 10 per cent.

His lordship describes the prospects for shipping as "gloomy." There are far more ships in the world than trade requires and millions of tons are laid up. Few of the ships in commission are earning sufficient to cover working expenses. With specific reference to the British situation he says: "It does seem to be contrary to all sound economics that the Government should, under the Trade Facilities Act, advance money to build more ships, the completion of which cannot fail to aggravate the disastrous condition of the shipping industry, in which millions of the people's savings are invested. All of us who are interested in shipping cannot but applaud the refusal of the Prime Minister to subsidize shipbuilding at the present time."

It is interesting to note what Lord Inchcape has to say to a suggestion that all old ships should be disposed of and that a contribution from the taxpayers should be made to provide new ships. Here is his comment: "This is an excellent idea so far as some shipowners are concerned, but what about the taxpayer who would have to foot the bill? To my mind the suggestion is absurd, but the Chancellor of the Exchequer may think differently, although I doubt it."

POSTAGE RATE

The war tax of one cent on every letter mailed in Canada has now been in force for some ten years. The extra cent is not because there has been a corresponding increase in the cost of the carriage of mails but it is for war purposes. It is the heaviest war tax of all because it represents an increase of fifty per cent on the pre-war postage rate. Left free from criticism because of the maintenance of this tax for so long the Government, in fact all Governments, would probably perpetuate it indefinitely and the penny postage reform which was fought for so long and so strenuously would pass again into the realm of dreams. It is only by constant reminders that the Government will ever be brought to a realization that there is a strong and insistent public demand for a return to the two-cent rate in Canada. The reduction should obtain for all letters with a Canadian destination and there should be a reduction of one cent on the rate for letters mailed to the British Isles. At present the Government, through the postal authorities, discriminates in favor of the United States and at the expense of communication with the Motherland. That is not the will of Canadians. It is certainly not the way to promote more sympathetic understanding between British peoples.

DOMINION AND P.O.E.

The Montreal Gazette in commenting on Premier Oliver's scheme to resuscitate the fortunes of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway alludes to the proposal made in Government circles here that land grants should also be given by the Dominion as well as financial assistance from the Federal exchequer. It does not regard this proposal favorably, and, most assuredly, neither will the Dominion, no matter what the complexion of the Government in power. It points out that this proposal affects the taxpayers of the Dominion as a whole, and will, therefore, require justification. The Dominion, says the Gazette, cannot afford to assume new railway obligations, "even for the privilege of playing the good Samaritan to the Liberal Government in British Columbia." Then its comment is: "If Mr. Oliver can devise a way of putting the Pacific Great Eastern on its feet by employing the resources of his own province, well and good; but the Parliament of Canada will be required to examine very critically a project which depends for its success upon Federal assumption of even a part of a provincial burden."

For the purposes of her naval defence and so that her place in the scheme of Empire may be a self-respecting one, Australia has set herself at full strength. Included in her programme is the building of two 10,000-ton cruisers by Messrs. John Brown & Co., of Clydebank. They are to be named the Australia and the Canberra.

It is estimated that the United States Congress and the State Legislatures enacted 39,000 new statutes in the last two years. Meantime the record of crime in the land is advancing steadily, which would indicate that the multiform barriers against evil-doing in the United States are of a flimsy order.

The Russian Communist Party claims an increase in membership with a roll now of 1,025,000. It does not seem a particularly large percentage to rule a population of 150,000,000.

Note and Comment

By R. D. D.

The society women of Washington, D.C., led by the widow of a former Senator from Missouri, have held a meeting and solemnly decreed that the short skirt must go, and that the cigarette in the lips of the girl who wears the short skirt also must go. The aggressive society women of the capital of the United States attribute all, or practically all, the social demerits of the short skirt and the cigarette. The aggressive society women abroad go farther than that. They declare that "the narrow, short skirt is a vulgar imitation of the underworld fashions, and that cigarettes are breeders of race degeneracy."

If those statements are true, obviously the conditions are desperate and the short, narrow skirt and the vile cigarette ought to go. If the short skirt and the cigarette hesitate about going, desperate measures will be justified in forcing them to go. The society women of Washington, D.C., have therefore resolved to take desperate measures.

But the fact appears to be that the society women of Washington who have determined upon a crusade against the pernicious narrow, short skirt and the villainous cigarette represent the elderly social set of the capital. Another social set has held a public meeting and expressed its opinion of the crusading social set. The other social set, according to our advice, is representative of the young ladies of the capital. The younger set says the old ladies, notwithstanding prohibition, are in a position to partake of and to enjoy many of the good things of life that are not available to short skirt wearers and cigarette smokers. This is a direct insinuation against the social habits of wives of Senators, Congressmen and high Government officials. It is an insinuation that the provisions of the Eighteenth Amendment are not enforced without fear and without favor, that private wine-bibbling is prevalent in the national capital, and that there is more to be condemned that may be productive of worse evils than wearing short skirts and smoking cigarettes in public places.

Just as an indication of what a beautiful and what an interesting social war this war is going to be, the younger set has issued a challenge to the elder set: "If American womanhood did nothing worse than wear short skirts and smoke, life would be perfect." The younger set goes even farther than that. It declares: "If dress conditions need a change, it is the older women who should set an example; their clothes are far more decollete than ours."

This is a poisonous thrust, and, our sympathies being what they are, we submit it is hardly a fair stab at the reputation of the elderly crusaders. It is the custom everywhere, in London, in Paris, in Rome, even in the capitals of socialist countries such as Germany, and of communist countries such as Russia, as well as in the capital of the Great Republic, for the women to wear evening dress of State functions. But the "vulgar" classes are excluded from such dinners and assemblies. Beauty on exhibition is hidden from the eyes of the common herd, whereas when girls in short skirts parade the streets and in public places they attract universal attention, and it is to be feared, invite and receive general admiration.

As we have said, it is going to be a very lovely and an absorbingly interesting war, but there is no doubt about the result of it. The elderly set simply have no chance to gain the victory—just as little chance as the prohibitionists have of enforcing prohibition. Washington, D.C., may be the seat of the political world; Congress may be the most important and influential legislative body in all the world; when Congressmen rise in their place and demand to be told what public men and business men of other nations mean by doing the things they sometimes do, the people of all the rest of the world may hold their breath and tremble for a time; but the wives and relatives of Congressmen cannot issue and enforce decrees affecting fashions for women. The elderly ladies of Washington have simply made "laughing stocks" of themselves, and the younger ladies of Washington are leading the mocking chorus.

For our part, we consider the excitement of the elderly ladies of Washington is simply another case of "much ado about nothing." The question of wherewithal shall women be clothed is not important. The question of the conduct of women is highly important. We have seen women who smoked—no cigarettes, but short, black and strong "cuttie" pipes—and they were good women, women who conscientiously and faithfully discharged their duties in the sphere of life "in which Providence had been pleased to place them." We have seen women who wore short skirts, and they were exemplary in their lives and honored at their death by all who knew them. Women delight to adorn their persons and to attract attention and admiration. That is a part of their inheritance, bequeathed to them by the first woman, and it will be absolutely futile for either men or women to attempt to deprive them of that highly prized portion of their estate. The worst that can be said of

them is that no matter what they wear they will still be charming to the eyes of "mere men."

"A.D." at Angora

(From The Boston Transcript)

Every little while the news comes from Angora of some new assimilation of Turkish laws, customs and regulations to Western and Christian ways. The Turks have no more Sultans no more, Caliphs, no more, for their men or obligatory veils for their women. And now we are told in an Associated Press dispatch from Angora that Turkey will probably soon adopt the Christian era in the reckoning of years, and the Gregorian calendar, under which the Christian world lives, of months and days. In other words, the coming year will be with them 1926, signifying the number of years since the birth of Christ, and not the year 1342, which measures the years since the Hegira, or flight of Mohammed from Mecca to Medina, in 622 A.D., and the Roman calendar, as modified by certain astronomical arrangements, under which we live.

Information is based on fact, it means a great deal. It signifies a sharp relinquishment of Moslem fanaticism on the part of the Turks and their assimilation of Western standards of thought, then had been anticipated, even under all the preceding changes. It does not, of course, indicate anything like an adoption, or the present rejection, of the Christian faith. It is of the nature of the concession made by Jews all over the Western world in their public reckoning of time; they date their letters in the year 5684. That is because, in their ordinary affairs, they are so closely related with the Christian world that the use of the epoch of the creation of the world would be highly inconvenient. No doubt the Turks, who are now in the process of becoming a world power, with Europe, and the maintenance of their own reckoning almost equally inconvenient.

As the Jewish world still does, will follow their traditional reckoning in all religious or sacerdotal matters. The desire to shed, becoming habit, in ordinary life, will lead to the use of the epoch of the creation of the world, and will be an addition to the confusion of the Turkish calendar. Modern Turkey may indeed date a new era from the day when Mustafa Kemal was born.

3-Minute Journeys

By TEMPLE MANNING

Where There's a Will, There's a Way

To the Chinese, the moon is more than just a heavenly body. They retain traces of a worship of the moon, and the moon has a special influence on their daily lives. And so their thanksgiving is held on the full moon in the eighth month of their calendar. Great is their exultation if the moon shines forth clear and bright on that night. If it is cloudy, their lamentation is loud. For a clear view of the moon on this night is a good augury for the coming year. The festival is as old and always it has been celebrated in the same fashion. Its most prominent characteristic is the abundance of good things to eat. The dish of home is a porker of eight pounds. It is roasted to a rich red brown, garnished and spiced.

But the moon cakes are the real symbols of the occasion. Moon cakes are quite as complicated and difficult to make as a most complicated plum cake of the school of old-fashioned variety. They are stuffed with every variety of spice, with ginger, nuts, watermelon seeds and hashed pork, and they are served with a sweet sauce.

The moon cake is round, and according to popular belief, it resembles a full moon. The resemblance is not very distinct to the untrained eye. One of the special customs of the day is that of visiting all one's friends and relatives in order to present them with the moon cakes and to receive them in turn. These visits are the signal for professions of regard and affection for the proffering of good wishes. Each visit is the signal for the pouring of libations to the moon. Thus in the Chinese mind, the celebrated in old China, the home of beautiful memories of the past. No other in the world do the remnants of a past age so strongly cling to the habits of their ancestors, their reverence for ancestors, who from their graves, still dictate to them all through life.

Notable Anniversaries

The stormy night that closed the year 1775 was an eventful one by General Richard Montgomery, leading an army raised by the revolting American colonies for the conquest of Canada, to make the grand assault on the walls of the ancient capital. During the year the Americans had taken Montreal and the forts along the Richmon, so nothing stood between them and the complete possession of Canada but the rather poorly fortified Quebec. The results of Montgomery's efforts on that wild December night is well remembered. His forces were decisively beaten off, and he was killed by a volley from the defenders. Thus Canada was saved for British rule and the great share of the credit must be given to the able and dauntless Governor Carleton, who personally conducted the defence of the beleaguered city.

Montreal Inquest Jury Returns Murder Verdict

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—A coroner's jury today decided that "some person or persons unknown murdered Mrs. Rosalind Tulp, December 29, in her home on Haubien Street." The verdict set at liberty her husband, who had been held on a coroner's warrant since the crime, as a material witness.

Letters to the Editor

No letter to the editor will be inserted except after it has been received at the office of the editor. This rule admits of no exception.

Club Leaves

Sir.—It would be interesting to ascertain the motives which have prompted our ministers to make the recent amendments to the "Government Liquor Act" in relation to club licences so far, as very drastic changes have been made immediately after the session closed.

It appears to have been understood during the last session no changes of importance would be made in the said Act, otherwise I am sure that her ladyship would have wished to know more about the matter before permitting the Cabinet to make the changes by means of an Order-in-Council—which is surely becoming a most convenient method of the present Government.

I may be in error, but it avers somewhat of that odious thing—class distinction—especially so far as the service men are concerned. The lack of experience in ex-service matters may perhaps explain the want of sympathy the members of the Cabinet display in this connection.

The Government has no doubt adopted the opinion of many people and members of the House who are too good for the boys when they returned, and "nothing" is too good for them now.

D. G. HUGHES,
762 Esquimalt Road, Esquimalt, B.C., Dec. 30, 1925.

Good Fellowship

Sir.—Though our city is noted for its delightful climate, our citizens are not so famous for sunny dispositions. Frequently people who visit here complain of the aloofness of Victorians and the difficulty experienced in getting acquainted. I mean the middle class. The wealthy, of course, does not need the "glad hand" and the poor don't expect it. But the majority of our newcomers are well-to-do, ordinary folk, who are here for a change or in quest of a new place to settle; many of these people find Victorians very distant.

We spend a lot of money advertising our God-given talents, and we influence many strangers to "drop in." They are immediately delighted, but we seem to fall in holding their interest and stimulating in them the desire to remain permanently and make themselves of us. That condition can be remedied and the time is now ripe. The bright New Year with its brilliant forecast and gigantic possibilities; with its fresh and unutilized opportunity to repair wrongs and initiate hidden virtues is with us now, and it comes at the most auspicious period that Victoria has experienced in many years.

Let's resolve to change our "personal touch" attitude towards the newcomers and the old timers too, for that matter, and make them feel more comfortable and welcome amidst the delightful surroundings for which Victoria is rapidly gaining world-wide renown. As a formula for this much needed reform, I would suggest the following verse taken from a poem that was very famous in its day, entitled "The Boomerang":

"When a bit of sunshine hits ye,
After passing of a cloud,
When a fit of laughter hits ye,
And ye're spine is feelin' proud;
Don't forget to up and fling it
At a soul that's feelin' blue.
For the minute that ye sling it
It's a boomerang to you."

J. A. SHANKER
1281 Fairfield Road, Victoria, B.C., Dec. 30, 1925.

Ask Dissolution Of Pensions Board

Liberal Association Requests Ottawa to Substitute Non-Political Body

BURNABY, Dec. 30.—Dissolution of the Canadian Board at Ottawa and introduction of a board responsible to the people will be requested by Burnaby Provincial Liberal Association executive which met last night. Several members declared there is a total absence of appreciation on the part of pension donors, contrary to the desire of the public and promises made before the troops left for overseas.

The executive will take a decided stand on this issue on grounds that applicants for pensions or increase in pensions, are being treated as "gun fodder," instead of as desirable citizens of Canada.

The committee decided to give active support to committees of local business men and others who are endeavoring to secure permanent employment for returned men, also to request the Provincial and Dominion Governments to give official backing to this work.

The Weather

Metropolitan Office, Victoria, B.C., at 4 p.m., December 30, 1925.

TEMPERATURE	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	32	38
Kamloops	28	34
Prince George	24	30
Edmonton	20	26
Calgary	16	22
Winnipeg	12	18
Saskatoon	8	14
Regina	4	10
Brandon	0	6
Manitoba	-4	2
Fort Smith	-8	-2
Yellowknife	-12	-6
Whitehorse	-16	-10
Halifax	20	26
St. John's	16	22
Quebec	12	18
Montreal	8	14
Ottawa	4	10
Toronto	0	6
London	-4	2
Birmingham	-8	-2
Manchester	-12	-6
Glasgow	-16	-10
Edinburgh	-20	-14
Dublin	-24	-18
Liverpool	-28	-22
Belfast	-32	-26
Cardiff	-36	-30
Bristol	-40	-34
Birmingham	-44	-38
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Metropolitan School Has Annual Entertainment

The Metropolitan United Sunday School held its Christmas entertainment for its Junior and senior departments on Tuesday evening.

The programme for the evening was under the direction of the superintendent, Mr. W. E. Hurper, and the assistants, Mr. J. C. Smith and Mr. W. D. Knott. A splendid orchestra, under the direction of Mr. A. Hodgson, rendered some excellent music. A programme of recitations and solo vocal and instrumental, was well received by the large gathering of scholars, parents and visitors. Refreshments were served and several games indulged in by all. Santa Claus arrived at 9:10 and presented all with bags of candy and made a most appropriate and interesting address.

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Results of Christmas Tests at Victoria College Announced

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FIRST YEAR

English Literature

Class I.—Trotter, Guy, Gurlay, Guy, Felton, Fuller, Sanderson, Beveridge, Daniels, Hembroff, Hill, Lutton, McDonald, Wallace, Westman.

Class II.—Cruckshank, Macmillan, Martin, Pearson, Campbell, W. J. Hall, Lang, Helgeson, Newcomb, Spurgin, Holman, Tobin, Yve, Eller, LePage, Schroeder, Willing, Garache, Shanks, Trotter, Allan, Hargreaves, Archibald, Eaney, Palkney, John, Edwardson, Giles, Publow, Henderson, Munday, Shadbolt, Wilson.

Class III.—Lemmon, Ferguson, Howard, Dale, Fleming, Peden, Bell, Bruce, Gibson, D. Parker, Pearson, Carruthers, Christie, Lindsay, Ormond, Carey, Harris, M. G. Hawkins, Pike, Pettigrew, Ramsey, Dobbin, Horne, Tervo, Chattell, More, Anderson, Galford, Harris, M. A. Hart, Wilkin, Brown, Edwards, Morrison, Campbell, M. J. Latta, Means, Robinson, Shanks, Siverts.

Algebra

Class I.—Rose, Fraser, Peden, Brown, Latta, Campbell, M. J. Wallace, Dale, Fleming, Peden, Bell, Bruce, Gibson, D. Parker, Pearson, Carruthers, Christie, Lindsay, Ormond, Carey, Harris, M. G. Hawkins, Pike, Pettigrew, Ramsey, Dobbin, Horne, Tervo, Chattell, More, Anderson, Galford, Harris, M. A. Hart, Wilkin, Brown, Edwards, Morrison, Campbell, M. J. Latta, Means, Robinson, Shanks, Siverts.

Class II.—Hembroff, Shadbolt, Campbell, W. J. Lemmon, Ormond, Field, Robinson, Christie, Guy, Harris, M. C. Harris, Sims, Chapman, Daniels, Palkney, Halley, Hill, Munday, Nixon, Schroeder, Newcomb.

Class III.—Trotter, Guy, Gurlay, Guy, Felton, Fuller, Sanderson, Beveridge, Daniels, Hembroff, Hill, Lutton, McDonald, Wallace, Westman.

Geometry

Class I.—Cruckshank, Macmillan, Martin, Pearson, Campbell, W. J. Hall, Lang, Helgeson, Newcomb, Spurgin, Holman, Tobin, Yve, Eller, LePage, Schroeder, Willing, Garache, Shanks, Trotter, Allan, Hargreaves, Archibald, Eaney, Palkney, John, Edwardson, Giles, Publow, Henderson, Munday, Shadbolt, Wilson.

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Chemistry

Class I.—LePage, Emery, Fleming, Fraser, Latta.

Class II.—McDonald, Lendrum, Pike, Thorne, Merrett, Edwards, Howard, Shadbolt, Allan.

Class III.—Anderson, M. J. Campbell, W. J. Campbell, Macmillan, Christie, Deville, Marshall, Kingsberry, Beveridge, Willing, Archibald, Publow, Tervo, McAllister, McDonald, Ormond, Shanks, Baran, Carey, MacQueen.

Physics I

Class I.—Cruckshank, Macmillan, Martin, Pearson, Campbell, W. J. Hall, Lang, Helgeson, Newcomb, Spurgin, Holman, Tobin, Yve, Eller, LePage, Schroeder, Willing, Garache, Shanks, Trotter, Allan, Hargreaves, Archibald, Eaney, Palkney, John, Edwardson, Giles, Publow, Henderson, Munday, Shadbolt, Wilson.

Class II.—Cruckshank, Macmillan, Martin, Pearson, Campbell, W. J. Hall, Lang, Helgeson, Newcomb, Spurgin, Holman, Tobin, Yve, Eller, LePage, Schroeder, Willing, Garache, Shanks, Trotter, Allan, Hargreaves, Archibald, Eaney, Palkney, John, Edwardson, Giles, Publow, Henderson, Munday, Shadbolt, Wilson.

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Physics II

Class I.—Latta, LePage.

Class II.—Fraser, Emery, Fleming, McDonald, Carey, Nixon, Chapman, Guy, Rose, Halley, McAllister.

Class III.—Johns, Shadbolt, Archibald, Tervo, Chattell, Merrett, Little, Holman, Lendrum, Lyons, Kingsberry, Siverts, Parker.

Biology I

Class I.—Felton, Nakabayashi, Lutton, Pettie, Mallick, Porter.

Class II.—Gurlay, Giles, Lindsay, Daniels, Holman, Fuller, Hill, Robinson, Miller, Garache, Helgeson, Westman, Edwardson, Brown, M. A. Harris.

Class III.—Latta, Wilson, M. J. Campbell, Hill, Hembroff, Wilkin, Chattell, Spurgin, M. G. Harris, Carruthers, Downes, Tobin.

Biology II

Class I.—Guy, Hill, Felton, Wallace, Willing.

Class II.—Pettie, Hawkins, Pearson, Rorich, Yve, Wilson, Fuller, Holman, Bell, Munday, Pearson, Smith, Jones, Lemmon, Richards, Brown, Galford, Cameron, Macmillan, Westman.

Class III.—Newcomb, Trotter, Helgeson, Henderson, Lindsay, Siverts, Ward, Marshall, Merrett, Emory, Rose, More, Giles, Pettigrew, Harris, D'Arcy, Plittroff.

Latin I

Class I.—Pettie, Beveridge, Fuller, Gurlay, Marshall, Schroeder, Allan, Hembroff, Cruckshank, Pike.

Class II.—Anderson, Wallace, Sanderson, Spurgin, Tobin, Parker, W. H. Campbell.

Class III.—Eller, Publow, Bruce, Garache, Martin, Archibald, Fraser, Lutton, Chapman, Willis, Daniels, Ormond.

Business Greek

Class II.—Sanderson.

French I

Class I.—Sanderson, Gurlay, Felton, Anderson, Marshall, Garache, Allan, Holman, Beveridge, LePage.

Class II.—Ormond, Giles, W. J. Campbell, Hill, Hembroff, Emory, Fuller, Schroeder, Publow, Deville, Tobin, Willing, Dobbin, Fleming, Brown, Guy, Pike, Lutton, Bruce, McDonald, Robinson, Shadbolt, Cruckshank, Edwardson, Chattell, Helgeson, Martin, Rose, Yve, Musgrave, Galford, Hargreaves, Spurgin, Westman, Lang.

Class III.—Macmillan, Rorich, M. G. Harris, Hawkins, Henderson, Bell, Wallace, Lemmon, Nixon, John, Lindsay.

There will be a watch night service in the Salvation Army Citadel tonight, commencing at 10:30 o'clock, and led by Adjutant Junker.

The name Mithistepi, derived from Indian words, means "Great Water."

Elephants for Zoo Arrive From India



Three elephants have recently arrived at the London Zoological Gardens from Singapore. Here we see one of the three being swung high above the wharf at King George Dock by the ship's derrick.

Light Company Plans Actively For Expansion

Extensive Plans Are in Hand for Development of the Nanaimo Light, Power & Heating Co.

Outline of Improvements

NANAIMO, Dec. 30.—The Nanaimo Electric Light, Power & Heating Co., Ltd., has just installed a new mixed pressure turbine designed to operate during heavy load hours, and as a standby in case of unforeseen happenings in the ordinary operation of the system.

The capacity of the company's plant is now more than double the city's present requirements for light and power.

The company has completed plans and estimates for increasing the capacity of its 20-acre reservoir in the mountain district by adding to the height of the main dam and the construction of a low dam to prevent overflow and waste water during the rainy season.

Another addition to the power supply is contemplated in the construction of a ditch and flume, line which will carry to the main reservoir the surplus water of McLaughlin Creek and intercept the streams passing down the slopes of Mount Benson. This line has been located by survey and the right-of-way secured.

The company has also acquired waterpower rights on the Nanaimo River, and a location of the line has been completed.

These works will involve a considerable outlay, but are deemed necessary in view of a continuation of the improvement and development of business in Nanaimo and the island generally.



"ASKING FOR MORE"

Oliver Churchill: "Sorry to trouble you, old fellow, but you'll have to dole out another little dishful."

—From The News of the World

Many Churchgoers Will See Year Out

Watch Night Services Will Be Held in Number of City Churches

Watch night services will be held in a number of the city churches this evening, to "see the skirts of the departing year" in the sanctity of consecrated buildings. The ringing in of the New Year will be marked by messages greeting 1926. Special street cars will operate until 12:45 o'clock from the downtown termini.

Christ Church

A watch night service will be held in Christ Church (cathedral) tonight, commencing at 11:15 and conducted by the Rev. T. E. Howe.

St. Mark's, Cloverdale

A short service, holy communion, hymns and address will be held at St. Mark's, Cloverdale, on New Year's Eve, commencing at 11:15 o'clock.

Metropolitan Church

The watch night service at the Metropolitan United Church will be held in the auditorium of the church, commencing at 11 o'clock, and will continue until 12:01 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Hippell will deliver a brief New Year's message, and a period will be given to prayer and praise. The public is cordially invited to be present and to spend the closing moments of the year in worship. The young people of the church will present a programme of interest at 9 p.m., followed by a social hour. All who attend the watch night service are heartily invited to the Young People's service.

Reformed Episcopal

The rector, Rev. A. de B. Owen, will conduct the service at the Reformed Episcopal Church, and will deliver a brief New Year's message. This service will commence at 11:15.

Mrs. Oldfield Dies Suddenly at Home

Esteemed Lady, Widow of Mr. J. H. Oldfield, Well-Known Resident of Elk Lake

Mrs. Emma Louise Oldfield, widow of the late Mr. J. H. Oldfield, of "Stork Lodge," Elk Lake, B.C., passed away at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, at the age of seventy years.

The late Mrs. Oldfield had been in indifferent health for some years, but her condition only became critical last Sunday, following a seizure from which she failed to rally.

Born in Port Dover, Ontario, she had been living here since 1912, when the family removed to Vancouver Island from Winnipeg. Mr. Oldfield died in October, 1924. Both were highly esteemed throughout the whole of the B.C. district and had a wide circle of intimate friends there and in Victoria.

There survive one daughter, Miss Kathleen Oldfield, living at home, and two sons, Mr. B. C. Oldfield, who lives in the Elk Lake district, and Mr. Edmund Oldfield, living in New Zealand.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made, but will be announced in due course.

ONE FRIEND TELLS ANOTHER

The fame of a successful remedy is often spread far and wide by women telling one another of its merits, as is evidenced by a letter written by Mrs. Wm. Riddell, of Mt. Forest, Ont. She writes: "I was weak, miserable and in pain. A friend told me what Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had done for her. I tried it, and am now well and strong. There is nothing equal to it for women's troubles." There are women everywhere who have been benefited by Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and gladly tell their friends and neighbors about it.

Afternoon and Evening Gowns

At 10% to 50% Off During January Sale

Generous reductions prevail throughout our entire stock of exclusive Ready-to-Wear Garments. Ladies who require smart new gowns for the New Year festivities will welcome this cash-saving opportunity.

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Calles Government To Help Mexico With Agricultural Schools

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 28.—The programme of the Calles Government for the agricultural improvement and development of Mexico is gradually being effected.

Already the Central Agricultural Schools have been established, one in each of the States of Oaxaca, Hidalgo, Michoacan, Durango and Guanajuato. It is planned to eventually start such schools in every State.

The agricultural promotion projects also contemplate the creation of State or Regional banks expressly intended to extend credits and loans to worthy farmers.

More than twenty Mexican students in United States agricultural schools are preparing themselves for professorships in the new Mexican schools.

Parents Want Bigger School

Trustees Hear Delegation's Request for More Accommodation at Oaklands

Strong protest against the transferring of Oaklands School pupils to the Bank Street School was last night lodged with the School Board by members of the Oaklands Parent-Teacher Association, who presented a petition bearing a long list of signatures.

The protest was referred to the 1926 School Board for consideration. Members of the delegation asked that the city provide further classroom accommodation, an assembly hall and more space for playing grounds.

The "platoon system," whereby the smaller children would alternate in the occupancy of desks, would be preferred to the sending of the pupils out of the district to the Bank Street School, members of the delegation contended. One of these said danger would accrue to the children in the necessity to cross street car tracks on the way to Bank Street.

Chairman George Jay pointed out that the same danger was run by the students of practically every school in the city.

School spirit and a sense of loyalty should be inculcated in children, another delegate declared. Development of these traits of character would be hindered by the transfer of the students.

Trustee Brown said that he appreciated the interest shown by the delegation and was sympathetic to their viewpoint. The board had done something towards the extension of the playing fields, he said, and the city had recently placed several reserved lots in reserve for the same purpose. However, he thought that the matter was properly one for the consideration of the 1926 board.

Trustee Litchfield warned that the erection of a new building would entail the passing of a money bill. To have vacant classrooms in a school near Oaklands at the time of the submission of the by-law would tend to prejudice the success of the measure, he said.

Municipal Inspector Deane explained that civic authorities had given the opinion that the legal barriers in the way of closing two streets at present crossing the grounds were insuperable.

Reference was made to the present overcrowded condition of the Oaklands classrooms.

None Hears Japanese Radio

NOME, Alaska, Dec. 30.—Radio programmes being broadcast in Japan are being picked up with unusual clarity in this region. A Christmas programme radio broadcast from station JOAK, Japan, was heard with exceptional distinctness.

Tobacco crops grown in Hampshire are expected to average more than 1,000 pounds of tobacco per acre.

Logger Killed By Explosion

Coroner's Jury Ascribes No Reasons for Blast Which Ended Oscar Sundquist's Life

The coroner's jury which investigated the circumstances surrounding the death of Oscar Sundquist, logger, who met his death near Port Renfrew on Monday, had no difficulty in reaching the conclusion that deceased had come to his death by an explosion of powder. Added to this was the finding that there was not sufficient evidence relative to the matter to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion as to the cause of the explosion. The inquest was held at the coroner's court at Sanda Funeral Parlors before Dr. E. C. Hart, coroner.

The only evidence that could throw light on the event was that of Mr. Archie McHugh, the foreman of the logging camp of Cathel & Horenson, where the logger had been employed. He testified that the man, having been ill, had remained in the camp in the morning. There was no one else left there. The clothes of deceased were found in the bunk, showing that he had not moved.

When the foreman returned to the camp in the evening it was discovered that something was wrong. The that something was wrong. The that something was wrong. The that something was wrong.

Some of the men employed in another camp had heard a blast early in the morning, which was the only indication of the time when the event occurred.

The Alaskan brown bear, largest of flesh-eating mammals, weighs less than a pound at birth.

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8 YEARS OLD

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Turkeys at Less Than Wholesale Prices Today

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612 Fort Street
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Mabel: Do you intend to accept
 him?
 Ethel: That depends upon circum-
 stances.
 What circumstances?
 Ethel:

Problem Is Serious One

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Constantinople says a new Turkish supreme army council was inaugurated Monday by resident Mustapha Kemal Pasha. Mustapha declared it was essential to prepare for the defence of the

ing with Franz Schubert's beautiful "Impatience," as arranged for ladies' voices by Clarence Robinson, who is well-known as one of the foremost arrangers of classical song for ensemble singing.

White ants in Ceylon practice chem-warfare by squirting drops of a secretion in the faces of enemy ants, which is said to drive them almost

worry among the heads of the U.F.A. at the present time. A dispatch from Ottawa Tuesday stated that there was a rumor that Mr. Gardiner was to join the King Government and become Minister of Immigration.

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City
New Stock Felix Junior
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Ten to Solve Union Problem

Commission to Unravel Tangles in Connection With Church Union in Province

Outstanding difficulties in the way of church union in this Province will be submitted for solution to a commission consisting of ten prominent British Columbia ecclesiastics, in accordance with a new order-in-council.

The commission will consist of the following: Rev. W. Leslie Clay, D.D.; Thomas Humphries and W. H. MacInnes, of Victoria; Rev. Frederick George MacBeth, D.D.; William Wright Fraser; Rev. James Rutherford Henderson, D.D.; Rev. Albert E. Mitchell, D.D.; Rev. George A. Wilson, D.D.; and Rev. Edward McGowan, of Vancouver; and James G. Robson, of New Westminster.

This organization will supervise the distribution of Presbyterian Church property as between the congregations which favored church union by vote and those which opposed amalgamation with the Methodist and Congregational churches.

Seven members will constitute a quorum of the commission of ten.

Bounteous Repast For Sunday School

St. John's Church Scholars Attend Christmas Entertainment With Supper

The Sunday School of St. John's Church held its Christmas entertainment on Tuesday evening, when there was a very large attendance of the scholars and parents present. Supper was served to the children, commencing at 6 o'clock, and 250 enjoyed the bounteous repast prepared by Mrs. Ward, convener of the refreshment committee. At 7:30 a large number of the parents and friends had assembled, and a most enjoyable programme was rendered in which the following took part: Misses Violet and Lily Kirby, Betty Roddard, Primary Class, members of Mr. Hawkins and Miss Muttow's classes, Theodore Mallett, Evelyn Dawson and Victoria Cross.

The pastor, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, presided and welcomed the large audience with hearty Christmas greetings. He spoke of the splendid work being carried out by Mr. A. Hallam, the superintendent, and teachers and officers of St. John's Sunday School, and expressed the hope that before long larger and better accommodation would be furnished in the shape of the new parish hall. Santa Claus appeared in time-honored costume and presents were handed out to all the members of the primary class. The most enjoyable part of the programme was a Punch and Judy show given by Mr. Farmer.

Christmas Treat Given at Tillicum

Fifty Children Entertained at St. Martin's Sunday School Entertainment

The children, and those of their parents and friends who were able to be present, certainly enjoyed a pleasant evening last Monday, at St. Martin's (Tillicum) Sunday School entertainment.

About fifty children sat down to an attractive supper, to which they did "whomping justice." Later they enjoyed a variety of games until about 7 o'clock, when prizes and rewards were distributed.

This pleasant task had only just ended, when a real, live "Father Christmas" appeared and presented every child present with a bag of candies. He was cheered to the echo. Then followed a most creditable entertainment, gotten up amongst the older girls and boys by Miss Gladys Leggett, which was greatly enjoyed by old and young alike, and cordially acknowledged.

The happy evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem. Heartily thanks are tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Leggett, Mrs. Dealey, Mrs. Sadler and Miss Stocken for all their untiring efforts towards the success of the evening. Mr. Merry, of Langford, who presided at the piano, and Mr. Hancock, of Qu'Appelle Street, who took an important part, are also warmly thanked.

Orphanage Tree Is Delightful Event

Children Have Numerous Gifts, Thanks to Generosity of Public for Function

There was the usual happy spirit at the Protestant Orphanage Christmas tree, held yesterday afternoon at the home. In addition to Mrs. Hitchcock, president of the ladies' committee, and several members, there were present Rev. Dr. W. L. Clay (St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church), and Rev. Mr. Knox (Emmanuel Baptist Church), who gave short addresses to the children in which they indicated the meaning of Christmas and the spirit of giving.

The forty children gathered in the customary way, occupying benches on the platform at one end of the big assembly hall. Before Santa Claus distributed the gifts of the generous laymen and the choir of small boys and girls gave a programme of Christmas carols, including "King of the Bells," "Sweet Christmas Bells," "Come, Happy New Year," "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and "What Shall I Wish Thee?" Mr. Pollard directed the singing. There were two recitations also, one by Martha Patterson, the other by Winnie Haynes, both very prettily spoken.

The public seemed to have been even more generous than usual this year, and each child carried off a wonderful store of toys or more useful gifts, such as woolen clothing, boots or shoes, stockings, and books. There was a bag of oranges and candies for each child, and later in the afternoon, after these good things had been enjoyed in the playroom, there was a generous tea, the cakes for which had been supplied by the ladies' committee.

The number of visitors yesterday was unusually big, and the hall was packed with people.

All Toys
(Excepting Wheel Goods)
Now Clearing at
Half Price
—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Last Day of the Old Year Brings Substantial Savings

On Women's and Misses' Coats, Frocks, Millinery, Children's Coats, Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Men's Winter Footwear

Notice to Charge Customers

All merchandise purchased today, December 31st, will be charged to next month's account and statement presented in February.



Boys' Tweed and Serge Suits for \$5.95

Tailored from good serviceable tweeds and rough blue serge. Coats with three-piece belts, full cut bloomers with belt loops and Governor fasteners; sizes 8 to 16. Values \$17.50. Sale Price \$5.95

Boys' Heavy Winter Overcoats, \$14.95

Big Double-Breasted Overcoats for boys from 13 to 18 years. Tailored from high-grade tweeds in fawn and dove shades. Values \$29.00. Sale Price \$14.95

Year-End Sale of Men's Overcoats

Men's All-Wool Overcoats, \$9.95

Tailored from medium weight wool overcoating in dark grey and heather shades. Single and double-breasted Chesterfield style with two pockets and vent in back. Well tailored and good fitting; sizes 38 to 46. Values to \$17.50. Sale Price \$9.95

Men's English Gabardine Coats \$14.95

English-Made Fawn Gabardine Coats in single-breasted style with collar that may be buttoned up close to neck if desired; has all-round belt with leather buckle. Lined with checked cotton; sizes 34 and 36. Also paragon cloth coats in double-breasted style with all-round belt; sizes 36 to 42. Regular \$16.95. Sale, \$14.95

Men's All-Wool Overcoats \$15.95

All-Wool Overcoats in single-breasted style, with raglan sleeves and two pockets, unlined. Shown in clerical grey only; sizes 38 to 44. Regular \$22.50. Sale Price, \$15.95

Men's Heavy Overcoats, Regular \$35.00 for \$27.95

Made from serviceable wearing fabric in lovat only; double-breasted style with two-way collar, half belt and three pockets, full lined; sizes 36 to 44. Sale Price, \$27.95

An Extra Special Bargain in Men's Tweed Suits

Today we are offering a number of Men's Two-Trouser Suits at a substantially reduced price. They are tailored from serviceable tweeds in grey and brown shades, that vees and three-button models that will please young men as well as older men; sizes 36 to 44. Price, with two pairs of trousers \$19.95

Sale of Gold Seal Congoleum Rugs

Standard Grade Gold Seal Congoleum Rugs in four beautiful designs and colorings. Every rug guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in wear.

Size 6 by 9; sale price \$8.50
Size 7.6 by 9; sale price \$10.50
Size 9 by 9; sale price \$12.50
Size 9 by 10.6; sale price \$14.50
Size 9 by 12; sale price \$16.50
Size 9 by 13.6; sale price \$18.50

Tapestry Remnants

Values to \$7.00 for \$3.50 a Yard

Odd lengths of high-grade Tapestries to clear. Suitable pieces for covering chair seats or making cushions. A nice selection to choose from. Values to \$7.00. Special at \$3.50

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Ribbon Novelties at One-Third Off

Included in this assortment are powder puff and mirror sets, candlestick sets, garters, pin cushions, corsage bouquets and coat hangers. Clearing today at One-Third Off Regular Prices.

Pearl Necklets Special, 49c

A-1 Quality Pearl Necklets, 30 inches long, strung on head silk and finished with silver clasp studded with brilliants, sold in regular stock at \$1.00. Special at 49c

Moccasin Slippers at Half Price

Men's, Women's, Misses, Boys' and Infants' Moccasin Slippers, broken sizes. Regular prices \$1.00 to \$7.00. Today, per pair, 50c to \$3.50

Drug Specials for Today

Kruschen Salts, 75c value, 57c
Sodium Phosphate, 1-lb. tins, 33c
Vinolia Castile Soap, long bars, 21c
Jergens' Bath Soap, 15c value at 2 for 19c
French Savar Castile Soap, 2-lb. bars 43c
Kotex, special package 75c
Hygienic Towels, pkg. of 12; 85c value for 69c
English Hot Water Bottles, special at Will last from three to five years. Aluminum Hot Water Bottles, special at \$3.50
Stone Pigs, special at \$1.43
Listerine, large size, \$1.00 value, 88c
Malt Extract, 2 1/2-lb. tins, 69c
Dominion Hops, 10c size, 3 for 23c
Sarsaparilla Blood Tonic 84c
Syrup Hypophosphites 84c
Liquid Petrolatum, heavy, 75c value for 53c
Epsom Salts, 15c value, 2 for 19c
Oil of Eucalyptus, 25c value, 16c
Licorice and Tar Cough Mixture, 60c value, 39c
Friar's Balsam, 25c value, 16c
"X-Bazin" Powder or Paste, new pkg. 50c
Odorono, 35c value, 25c

Cigars for New Year's Day

Vancouver Club Cigars, box of 25 for \$1.19
Black Fox Cigars, 6 for 26c
Adventurers of England Cigars, box of 25 for \$1.75
White Owl Cigars, box of 25, \$2.00
Simon's Dimples, boxes of 10, 95c

Year-End Specials in Groceries, Provisions and Fresh Meat

Goods Ordered Today Charged on Next Month's Account

Finest Quality New Zealand Creamery Butter, per lb. 52c
No. 1 Quality Alberta Creamery Butter, per lb. 51.53
3 lbs. for \$1.53
Pure Bulk Lard, per lb. 24c
3 lbs. for 70c
Machine Sliced Ayrshire Roll, lb. 38c
Finest Quality Side Breakfast Bacon, per lb. 45c
Peameal Back Bacon, per lb. 45c
Swift's Premium Side Bacon, lb. 60c
Old Canadian Cheese, per lb. 40c
Finest French Roquefort Cheese, lb. 65c
Swift's Premium Cooked Ham, lb. 60c
Sliced Bologna, per lb. 20c
Thinly Sliced Corned Beef, per lb. 30c
Finest Quality Lunch Tongue, lb. 55c
Jellied Ox Tongue, per lb. \$1.00
Choice Quality Veal Loaf, per lb. 40c
Hudson's Bay Special Breakfast Tea, per lb. 55c
3 lbs. for \$1.60

Hudson's Bay Ceylon Broken Orange Pekoe Tea, per lb. 65c
3 lbs. for \$1.90
Hudson's Bay Freshly Roasted Pure Coffee, per lb. 45c
Finest Quality B.C. Granulated Sugar, 20-lb. paper sack \$1.25
Quaker Brand Canned Sweet Corn, No. 2 tin 15c
King Oscar Brand Sardines, tin 15c
Mrs. Haines' Pure Orange Marmalade, 4-lb. tin 72c
Fruit, Vegetables and Nuts
New California Navel Oranges, per doz. 35c, 50c and 60c
Finest Florida Grapefruit, each 10c
and
Barbara Worth Grapefruit, 5 for 45c
Extra Fancy Dessert Apples, 3 lbs. 25c
Cape Cod Cranberries, per lb. 28c
Fresh Brussels Sprouts, 3 lbs. for 25c
Selected Cauliflower, each 15c
and
Local Celery, per stalk 25c
Choice Sweet Potatoes, 3 lbs. for 10c
Imported Chestnuts, per lb. 30c
Superior Quality Mixed Nuts, lb. 34c
3 lbs. for \$1.00

New Washed Brazil, per lb. 30c
Tarragona Almonds, per lb. 25c
California Soft Shell Walnuts, lb. 45c
Freshly Roasted Peanuts, per lb. 15c

Turkeys for the New Year
All Poultry Cleaned, Drawn and Sinews Extracted Without Extra Charge.
6 to 8 lbs. 38c
8 to 10 lbs. 40c
10 to 12 lbs. 45c
Fresh Killed Geese, per lb. 30c
Fancy Ducks, per lb. 33c

Special Lamb
Legs, per lb. 40c
Loins, per lb. 40c
Shoulders, per lb. 27c

Pork
Legs, per lb. 28c
Loins, per lb. 33c
Shoulders, per lb. 23c
Sirlons of Beef, per lb. 30c
Prime Ribs, per lb. 21c
Rumps, per lb. 18c
Round Roast, per lb. 20c
Shoulder Roast, per lb. 21 1/2c

Candies for the New Year

Ganong's Assorted Chocolates, per pound 80c
Finest French Nougat, pound, 90c
Chocolate, Walnut and Vanilla Cream, per pound 50c
Toasted Coconut Cakes, lb. 60c
Hudson's Bay Fancy Hard-Baked Mixture, per pound 25c
Almond Crisp, per pound 80c

Hudson's Bay Special Hand-Rolled Assorted Chocolates, pound, 50c
Hudson's Assorted Chocolates, per pound, 80c and 90c
Chocolate Peppermint Creams, per pound 60c
Hudson's Bay Special Mixture, per pound 30c

Extraordinary Bargains Offering in Fur-Trimmed Coats

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Smart Coats, fashioned from velour, blanket cloth and blocked zibeline, in straight line and side flare models, with fur collars and cuffs, trimmed with novelty stitching and buttons. Shown in rust, reindeer, grey, taupe, rose and sand. Sizes 16 to 40. Sale Price,

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Smart models fashioned in flared and circular skirt styles; collars and cuffs of moulton fur. Choice of brown, cranberry, fawn, reindeer, teakwood and tan. Sizes 16 to 40. Sale Price,

\$17.95

Afternoon and Tailored Frocks

Values to \$35.00 for \$13.95

Another group of frocks in charmeuse, wool ottoman, satin and crystal crepe. These show the very latest style features. They have circular skirts and are straight of line, some with high necks, long sleeves with embroidered puffs, fur borders and scarf collars with trimmings of heavy embroidery, tassels, lace, etc. Choice of the season's newest colors, also navy and black; sizes 16 to 38. Values to \$35.00. Sale Price

\$13.95

Smart Millinery At Year-End Clearance Prices



A Great Bargain in Children's Hats

A clearance of Children's Hats in felt, plush, velvet and cloth. Soft pull-on shapes, with rolled brims, trimmed with plaid or fancy ribbon bands of self material. Choice of tan, brown, blue, green and black. Values to \$2.69. Sale Price

\$1.49

Velour and Felt Hats

Self trimmed or with ribbon bands. Shown in off-the-face and drooping brim styles in colors of brown, henna, rose and sand. Values to \$7.95. Sale Price

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Society and Women's Affairs

Delightful Dance

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hedley gave a jolly dance last evening at the Chamber of Commerce ballroom in honor of their daughter, Miss Isabel Hedley. Lala's orchestra supplied the splendid music, and beautiful chrysanthemums and greenery were used in the decorations. Among the invited guests were: The Misses Maragula, Nichol, Louise Campbell, Carolyn Davison, Katherine Fraser, Anna McBride, Mary Money, Helen Colman, Kathleen Colman, Kathleen Ison, Phyllis Ross, Phyllis Henderson, Patsy Hemmings, Naomi Mitchell, Marjorie Mitchell, Elsie Oliver, Peggy Law, Joan Spurlin, Constance Code, Kathleen Gaun, Dorothy Downes, Iris Wilcox, Heryl Nelson, Pat Forrist, Gladys Mathews, Elaine Guilbert, Maizie Innes, Dorothy Officer, Charlotte Pilek, Inez Mitchell, Irma Mitchell, Betty McGregor, Doris (Hem), Jean Gibson, Elaine Guilbert, Mickey Gallher, Casale Holmes, Dorothy Osborn, Marjorie Judd, Marie Adamson, Mary Martin, Girdle Forbes, Frances Jones, John Johnson, Constance Code, Yvonne Hicks, Nancy Ross, Constance Ross, Maude Crease, Janet Mearns, Valerie Bahantyne, Helen Haddon, Beatrice Rutan, Philip Laxton, Polly Laxton, Philippa Laxton, Myrtle Gale, Lois Gale, Marjorie Gillatt, Ruth Tryon, Betty Phillips, Helen Hayward, Sheila Gillespie, Margaret Sanderzon, Bertha Wootton, Peggy Gourley, and Messrs. John Proctor, Eric Jones, Kelly Hemmings, Jimmy Cunningham, Gerald Cunningham, Larry Henderson, Bruce Forbes, Campbell Forbes, Ted Moore, Dick Moore, Denis Hagar, Bill Hagar, Ted Goby, Cyril Bernard, Arthur Heron, Harold Haynes, Stan Haynes, Bud Allen, Jack Carey, Tom Crease, Percy Wilkinson, Bill Mearns, Ned Symons, Sidney Symons, Lewis Bounding, Charles Heisterman, Bob Hallet, Hugh Beck, Elsie Beck, Wilson, Roger Wilson, Royden Morris, Andrew Wright, Charlie Tulian, Henry Rutan, Jack Christie, Rose Wilson, Bobby Tye, Tom Tye, Ivan Jeffery, Douglas Wilson, Reggie Wenman, Godfrey Wenman, Ned Hodson, Eric Spurlin, Peter Bell, Edward Laundry, Arthur Laundry, Eric Hicks, Ted Curtis, Jim Redpath, Tony Farrer, Howard Harman, Dick Diespecker, Conway Parrott, Ted Grubb, Eric Archibald, Norman Martin, Seymour Archibald, Tom Christie, Tim Martin, Jack Desautelle, Cedric Walker, Basil Walker, Percy Wilson, Teddy May, Ralph Mathews, Phil Haddon, Bob Phillips, Gilbert McIlroy and Gerald Sandy.

Dance at St. Mary's
One of the most delightful dances of the season was held on Tuesday evening at St. Mary's Hall when Mrs. Gale, Mrs. Hartley, Mrs. Stuart Macleod and Mrs. Stirling were the hostesses. Charlie Hunt's orchestra played the dance music. Among the invited guests were Dr. and Mrs. Scott.

Prairie Visitors
Prairie arrivals at the Empress Hotel yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. J. Herman, of Edmonton; Miss L. M. Rose, of Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. J. Specdon, of Saskatoon; Mr. and Mrs. V. Pearce, of Vulcan, Alberta; Mr. W. P. Gosling and Mr. R. Gosling, of Leduc, Alberta; and among the arrivals at the Dominion Hotel, Mr. and Mrs. E. King, of Saskatoon, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dunfield, of Delta, Alberta, and Mr. and Mrs. Ham, of Moose Jaw, were yesterday's Prairie arrivals at the Strathcona Hotel.

Dance For Nieces
Mr. and Mrs. Heblen Gillespie, "Windyside," Poul Day Road, entertained about one hundred and twenty guests last night at a dance for their nieces, the Misses Sheila and Daphne Gillespie, of Sooke. Seasonable decorations of holly and evergreens were employed in the dancing rooms, and chrysanthemums were used on the supper table. Miss Thain's orchestra supplied the excellent dance music. Several guests from Vancouver were present.

Masquerade Dance
The ladies of Combs Maple Leaf and Triumph A.O.F., have completed final arrangements for their masquerade dance this evening in the new Foresters' Hall, Cormorant Street.

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Children's Aid Home Enjoys Jolly Party
Much Fun and Feasting Occur at Annual Christmas Tree Party

Rarely has the Children's Aid Home on Pandora Avenue been the scene of such hilarity and rejoicing as was shown last evening at the Christmas tree party.

About thirty kiddies, ranging in age from two years to sixteen, gathered round a festive board spread with good things, and enjoyed themselves to their hearts' content in the corner of the big dining-room was a huge Christmas tree, laden with gifts and bright with gay tinsel and decorations. After the sumptuous tea was partaken of, the gifts were presented to each child in turn. The Rev. Thomas Menzies acted in the official role of Santa, while Mrs. A. V. Price, secretary of the Home, assisted in cutting the parcels from the tree.

There were dolls and woody lambs for the small tots, handkerchiefs, mechanical toys, balloons and trinkets for the older children, and joy and merriment reigned in the Home to the tune of trumpets and whistles.

Later in the evening games were played. Mr. Charlie Hunt's orchestra played while the children joined in the songs. Then came "Musical Chairs," which caused much mirth, and tired but happy kiddies voted the party one of the very best.

Miss McCoy, the popular matron, helped with tea and also joined in the games and merry-making.

Weddings
Steel-McCourt
NANAIMO, Dec. 30.—A pretty wedding was solemnized at the First United Church last evening, the contracting parties being Miss Elizabeth McCourt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. McCourt, Nicol, and Mr. Thomas Steel, of this city.

The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, to the strains of the wedding march played by Mrs. R. Wilson, was attired in a pretty gown of white silk marocain crepe, embroidered in silver metallic thread, with a beautiful satin and silver turban. She carried a shower of Opheelia roses and maidenhair fern. Miss Edna McCourt, a bridesmaid, was charming in peach georgette trimmed with lace and large picture hat to match. Her bouquet was composed of pink and white carnations and fern. The groom was attended by his brother, Mr. Joseph Steel. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Hugh Nixon.

During the signing of the register Mrs. Martin sang "Because." The bride couple retired to St. John's Hall, where a reception was held, about 150 guests being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Steel left on the morning steamer en route to Round Bay, where their honeymoon is being spent, and upon their return will reside on Wentworth Street, this city.

Rees-Singleton
NANAIMO, Dec. 30.—At the First United Church yesterday at 1 p.m. the Rev. Hugh Nixon united in marriage Miss Catherine Alexandra Singleton, of Courtenay, B.C., and Mr. James Morgan Rees, of Sandwiche, B.C. The young couple left for Sandwiche by auto immediately after the ceremony, where they will take up their residence.

Clegg-Abbey
At St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, the Rev. A. E. de L. Nunn celebrated the marriage of Dorothy Katharine, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Abbey, Penland Road, Oak Bay, to Mr. John V. Clegg, of Victoria, B.C., son of Mr. John Clegg and of the late Mrs. Clegg, of Huxford, Torkard, Nottinghamshire, Eng. The bride, given in marriage by her father, was charming in a gown of amethyst velvet, trimmed with grey fur, and a velvet picture hat. Her shower bouquet was of pink and white carnations and fern. Little Miss Betty Clegg, niece of the bride, made a bewitching flower girl in a dainty rock of rose silk. Mr. R. Clegg supported his brother as best man. During the ceremony Mr. F. T. C. Wickert presided at the organ. Mr. and Mrs. Clegg left on the afternoon boat for Vancouver and the Round Bay, where the honeymoon will be spent.

Campbell-Leyland
A quiet wedding took place at the minister's residence, yesterday afternoon, when the Rev. Dr. Campbell united in marriage Miss Edith Leyland and Mr. James Campbell, both of Duncan. The bride was groomed in a traveling suit of dark grey and hat to match, and was accompanied by her sister, Miss Doris Leyland, as bridesmaid. Mr. James Campbell gave the bride in marriage. Following the ceremony the bridal party motored back to Duncan, where a reception was held.

Your Birthday
December 31.—You are musical and fond of theatres, and a great reader. You are a good housewife, practical and sensible. You have many friends, and are bright, witty and entertaining. You might fall in love at first sight, for in affairs of the heart you are rather impulsive. You need love and devotion to make you happy and contented. Beware of jealousy. Your birthstone is the turquoise, which means prosperity. Your flower is holly. Your lucky color is pink.

Simple Application That Dissolves Blackheads
We more energetic and phlegmatic to get rid of those unsightly blackheads, blackheads. There is one simple, safe and sure way to get them out, and that is to dissolve them. Use about two ounces of peroxide powder from your drug store—sprinkle a little on a wet, wet cloth—rub briskly over the blackheads for a few minutes—wash the face and every blackhead will be gone. Pinching and squeezing out blackheads means larger pores, and you cannot get all of the blackheads out this way—while this simple application of peroxide powder and water dissolves every particle of them and leaves the skin and pores in their natural condition. (Adv.)

Santa Claus Is Well Received

Three Hundred Children and Guardians Enjoy Treat by Canadian Legion

The spirit of Christmas took charge of the Canadian Legion headquarters yesterday afternoon, when about 300 children of all ages and about fifty mothers and guardians enjoyed the feast and presentation provided for them by an enthusiastic committee. At 3 o'clock the guests assembled and were served with a Christmas feast, which included fruits and cakes and all the traditional trimmings. The programme which followed commenced with the illuminating of the big Christmas tree that stood on a platform at the end of the assembly hall, close by a large brick chimney place, which was also illuminated with colored bulbs.

The children were then amused by the clever lightning tricks drawn by the Rev. J. R. Turnbull, and several conjuring tricks and magical demonstrations by Mr. Merryfield. The next item was a pretty dance by little Miss Jean Brown and small Miss Johns, and after this, Mr. Farmer introduced his friends, Punch and Judy, Toby the Dog, the Policeman and the Undertaker, whose antics evoked shouts of laughter and approval from the audience.

To crown the day, Santa Claus himself appeared, making an imposing entry through the chimney piece, when he was welcomed with cheers and clapping. The jovial old saint addressed the children in an intimate manner, which delighted them, and then proceeded to distribute gifts, a task in which he was assisted by members of the Women's Auxiliary, who passed the gifts to the small recipients as their names were called out.

The committee in charge was composed of representatives of both the Legion and the Women's Auxiliary, namely: Mrs. MacNicol, Mrs. Mould, Mrs. Twigg, Mr. J. W. Berry, Mr. B. H. Garnett, Mr. K. Peitch, Mr. R. Craig, and Mr. H. B. Thorpe, secretary of the Legion.

Women's Clubs and Societies

Welcome Club Meeting
The Welcome Club will hold a meeting on Thursday, December 31, at the Y.W.C.A., supper to be served at 6 o'clock. The meeting will take the form of a social gathering. A good programme has been arranged, in which Miss De Wolfe will give the girls a New Year's message. A cordial welcome is extended to all who are strangers in the city.

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The scene was a stage in the spacious Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios whereon had been constructed the dingy interior of a lower New York east side dwelling. Squads of cameramen, gas men, electricians, musicians, and assistants in various capacities were gathered to launch one small toy on the first picture he has made in more than a year.

It is called "Old Clothes," from a story by Willard. It comes to the Columbia Theatre today, though the famous ragamuffin of the screen is in evidence in some scenes as he is in real life leader of boyhood.

DOMINION The sympathetic role of THEATRE Mr. Bodie in Herbert Brenson's production of "A Kiss for Cinderella," now showing at the Dominion, is portrayed by Henry Vibart, the noted English stage and screen player. Betty Bronson as seen in "Cinderella," now showing at the Dominion, is portrayed by Henry Vibart, the noted English stage and screen player. Betty Bronson as seen in "Cinderella," now showing at the Dominion, is portrayed by Henry Vibart, the noted English stage and screen player.

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COLISEUM The great Christmas pantomime, "Sinbad the Sailor," at the Coliseum has proved right up to expectations. The house has rung with merry peals of laughter from children and adults, for the show contains all the features a pantomime should contain. Will Marshall as Mrs. Sinbad, George Olsen as Sinbad, Bob Webb as King Bumpkin, and Ruth Hamilton as Skinny Sinbad are four merry fun-makers, while Vivian Combs as Princess Appleauce and W. Taylor as the Count are other real pantomime comedy characters.

CAPITOL Colleen Moore has returned to the screen in her beloved modernist self. You'll see the Colleen best known to you—and best loved—in "We Moderns." The picture, directed all this week, John Francis Dillon directed this new First National offering, which is adapted from the sensational novel by Janet Langford, support enlists such popular supporting artists as Jack Mulhall, Claude Gillingwater and Blanche Payson.

Midnight Frolic Is to Be Held at Dominion Tonight

See the old year out and the new year in as you attend the theatre in the new order of things. This is the reason for the big special show which is to take place at the Dominion tonight after the regular performances are finished. Mirth and merriment will reign supreme. Precento's dance orchestra will play the latest popular hits, and the words of the songs will be thrown on the screen so that the audience may join in. Highland dancers and pipers will also add to the gaiety. In addition to other novelty acts and surprises.

The special arrangement made by the B.C. Electric Company to extend the street car service to 12:45, the last cars leaving the centre of the city at 12:45 to all points on their system, will make the late crowd to avail themselves of convenient transportation. The tickets are now on sale at the box office, and those who intend being present are advised to get their tickets early.

Midnight Matinee With Pantomime Set For New Year's Eve

The Coliseum will undoubtedly prove a popular New Year's Eve rendezvous. Manager Frank Allwood advertises a New Year's Eve matinee with surprises galore and loads of fun appropriate to the holiday season. The outstanding attraction will be comedy numbers by Coliseum players who have been appearing in the great pantomime, "Sinbad the Sailor."

The charming Princess Sweetlips and the dainty fairy, Bluebell, will extend greetings to the guests. Doors open at 11:15, and by 11:30 the hall of fun will be set rolling with gay serpentine flying from the stage and to the stage as a symbolic link of friendship between the audience and the players. There will be bright music, merry dancers and the real holiday spirit will prevail.

Cameron Matthews' English Company Returns January 7

Mr. Cameron Matthews and his clever English company, who were heavily here recently in "The Dover Road," are again visiting the Royal Victoria Theatre for three days, commencing Thursday, January 7. Mr. Matthews has chosen for his vehicle to succeed "The Dover Road," Somerset Maugham's remarkably funny play, "Too Many Husbands." It will be recalled that it was this play that was made famous in London by the late Sir Charles Hawtrey, under the title of "Home and Beauty." It was also a huge success in New York, where it ran for a full season. Seats will be on sale for "Too Many Husbands" on Tuesday morning. Mail orders are being received now.

AMUSEMENTS

The Screen

Capitol—Colleen Moore in "We Moderns."

Columbia—"Ridin' the Wind," with Fred Thomson.

Dominion—Betty Bronson in "A Kiss for Cinderella."

The Stage

Coliseum—"Sinbad the Sailor."

Playhouse—"Old Mother Hubbard."

Seat Sales Open for

William Heughan,

Famous Actor-Singer

The public of Victoria who do not follow the musical news of the world may, or may not, be aware that in the visit to this city of William Heughan, the great actor-singer, they are to have an opportunity of seeing and hearing an artist who is world-famous. He is indeed doubtful if there is another singer who is more intimately known and whose art is more admitted throughout four continents, for he has appeared in and scored great success in all.

He now comes to Canada and the United States in continuation and completion of his wide world tour, and is booked to appear in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and almost all the principal cities. His art is said to be something entirely new to the concert platform, his thrillingly vivid interpretations of the songs of many nations being intensely compelling.

He is equally at home in the songs of Italy and Russia, as well as those of England, Scotland and Ireland, his art thus appealing to all. With him comes Hyman Lerner, a famous young violinist, and Gladys Sayer, the well-known pianiste from the Brussels Conservatoire. Seat sales are now being made at Fletcher Bros. for the four nights.

Playhouse Feature Offers More Fun Than Does "Charley's Aunt"

The Playhouse Theatre will feature a Warner Bros. Classic of the screen when "The Man on the Box," starring Syd Chaplin, begins a week's engagement on Monday, with one of the most remarkable casts of the season. The picture is said to be even funnier than "Charley's Aunt," Syd's last production, and one of the biggest box office busters ever screened. In one sequence Syd impersonates a flirtatious maid, and with his handsome features disguised with wise make-up, was quite an attractive figure on the Warner lot during the making of the picture.

Girl to Be Imported As Genuine English Accent Is Needed

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Dec. 30.—Miss Hazel Jones, young English girl, is to be brought into the United States, not as is often the case to help some musical comedy producer to glorify his review, but to act in a repertory of plays for Smith College here, because a genuine English accent is needed for the company.

Several thousand persons are killed by tigers and snakes in India each year.

Afraid of Love

By CHRISTABEL RUSSELL

Paul's Narrow Escape

Paul Masterman sat in his room after dinner. There had been no sign of Meryl that evening—and he had missed her.

It struck him as extraordinary in himself that he should have grown already to rely so much on her presence. To him no one's company had ever been really essential, not even Doris, though she had made much to him. As though after thought passed through his mind he gave a little puzzled laugh.

The desk at which he had worked many weary hours was littered with papers and plans. On top of all lay a long document which he had been studying; his agreement with Ormerod's, the firm of which Sir Marcus Crane was a director. It seemed all fair and above board, a great deal fairer in fact than most agreements made with young inventors. He sat back in his chair and played with the notion of signing it.

Here at last was a token of success, a sudden gleam of light on the dark horizon of many years' work. He had often wondered about this moment. Somehow in realization it was less splendid than imagination had painted it. But then, he argued, wasn't it always so in life, that things had in dreams a magnificence which was dimmed when those things came true.

There was something still lacking from his scheme of success and happiness. It wasn't Doris—now, though she had once had a part in every ambitious scheme of his. No, it wasn't Doris.

A tap at his door brought him abruptly to earth.

"Come in!" he called.

The door opened slowly. It was Meryl who stood there framed in the doorway.

She came quickly into the room.

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An Apology! From the Playhouse

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PANTOMIME

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"Old Mother Hubbard"

And on the Same Bill, Screen Presentation. Warner Bros. Present Monte Blue, in

"The Limited Mail"

A Roaring Romance of the Railroads

PRICES: Reserved Section, Adults 50¢, Children 25¢. Lower Floor, Adults 35¢, Children 15¢. Gallery, Adults 15¢, Children 10¢.

PLAYHOUSE

To the hundreds of Victoria people who packed the Playhouse, Monday Tuesday and Wednesday; to those who stood patiently in line to gain admittance, and to those who were not able to gain admission, we tender our apologies.

On behalf of Mr. Hincks, his entire company, and the theatre management, we want to extend our thanks and appreciation for what we will count in memory as one of the most successful pantomimes ever given in this theatre.

To give our many clients an opportunity of seeing this pantomime, we are changing our usual schedule on Friday and Saturday only.

The New Schedule Will Be as Follows:

Matinees Doors at 2:00; Starts 2:30

Nights Doors at 6:10; Starts 6:25

Nights—Second Show Starts 9:00

These Shows Start With Pantomime

Next Week—SYD CHAPLIN in "The Man on the Box"

Pupils' Recital Given By Young Students of Mr. and Mrs. Semple

The pupils of Mr. and Mrs. E. Semple gave their annual Christmas recital in St. Columba Church on Tuesday evening. The sole playing was done by the junior pupils from seven to fourteen years of age, for the most part, while the seniors were heard to advantage in ensemble playing.

Kathleen and Willie Irvine showed remarkable talent. Alice Braidwood and Jessie Scott, pianists, also deserve special mention. In the violin section, Alex. MacInnes, Kermit Cameron, E. Miller and Berenice Reid were outstanding. The ensemble, violins, E. Semple, S. Wakeman, Bert Smith and C. Mills; piano, Kathleen and W. Irvine, was one of the gems of the evening, a second rendering being demanded.

The following took part: Kathleen and Madeline Carter, Billy Kennedy, Edith Bowden, Keith Hubbard, Owen Prothero, Alice Braidwood, Roddy MacLean, Marjorie Taylor, Eva and Maude Bland, Una Bevan, Margaret Curves, Mildred Wright, Kenneth and Clifford Billingsley, Jessie Scott, W. and K. Irvine, Charles Buckler, Dorothy Hargreaves, S. Wakeman, Iris Sheret, Betty Tobin, Kathleen Ringshaw, B. Smith, C. Miller, Verna Holt, K. Cameron, Betty Brooker, Berenice Reid, W. Wilcox, E. Holt, A. Trellar, H. Hubbard, Phyllis Sheret, Mr. and Mrs. E. Semple.

Germany Resumes Control

WIESBADEN, Germany, Dec. 30.—The occupational authority in the Wiesbaden zone, following the evacuation of Cologne, was turned over by the French to the British today at a simple military ceremony. The tricolor was lowered and the Union Jack hoisted, after which the troops marched in review.

DOMINION—TONIGHT

New Year's Eve

STARTING AT 11 O'CLOCK

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SPECIAL NOTICE

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ing and Supper. here tomorrow afternoon, 5:30 January 1st

Crystal Garden At the Rear of the Empress Hotel

Next Week

Syd Chaplin in "The Man on the Box"

Two Dead and Two Wounded in Gunfight At Attempted Hold-Up

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—Two men are dead and two wounded seriously, as a result of a gunfight here last night after an attempted hold-up. Michael Lawrence, veteran police sergeant, was shot and killed by Stanley Selban, a convict, who in turn was shot and mortally wounded by a patrolman, Bernard Wynne, a patrolman, received four bullet wounds in the legs, and A. H. Manchester, grocer, received a bullet in the abdomen and another in the wrist. Both were shot by Selban. Selban had been serving an indefinite sentence at the prison for robbery. Several days ago he was released with the understanding that he be deported to his home in Manitoba.

Cambridge Professor, Divorce Suit Figure, Fights to Keep Post

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Professor J. B. Haldane, reader of biochemistry at Cambridge University, has appealed against the decision of the council of six of the university which deprived him of office following a recent divorce suit in which he was named as co-respondent. The appeal will come before the university in the new year, when five members will be appointed to hear it.

Police Investigate Death

MURRAY, B.C., Dec. 30.—Police are investigating the death of Frederick Andrews, who was found shot in his home at 214 Thirteenth Avenue, early this morning. A revolver and a note requested that his relatives be notified of his death, were found in the room. He is believed to have a wife living in England. An inquest will be held Thursday morning.

A Bright and Prosperous New Year is the wish of your photographer.

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ROUNDING THIRD

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CHAPTER XXV

A Play That Won a Pennant

Rossmann's collapse placed Detroit in a sad predicament. We had won the pennant in 1907 and 1908, but we could never win it a third time if Rossmann remained in the lineup. In a few days every team in the American League would know how to beat us easily. Such things travel fast in baseball. Because we had been champions twice it was certain that no one would be eager to help us out. I could not use Rossmann at first, so I tried other players there, but none of them fitted into the position. Finally I succeeded in getting Tom Jones from St. Louis. The Browns wanted Rossmann because of his hitting, and decided they could play him in the outfield. They had a good substitute first baseman, and so they were able to send Jones to us.

It so happened that the first game Jones played for Detroit was against Philadelphia. It was the start of a four-game series. Philadelphia was the team we had to beat if we wanted to win the pennant again. In the first inning Philadelphia jammed bases with one out. The next batter, a left-handed hitter, cracked the first ball pitched to Jones. He scooped it up, threw home, got the runner, and it was straight as a string, and there-

from the time he stepped on the field, the guiding genius of the White Sox. Just before the world series of 1906, at a club meeting, it was proposed that the Cubs and White Sox agree on an even distribution of the world series purse. This would give each player of the two teams an equal sum of money. It was here that Donohue got up and shouted: "There ain't goin' to be no split. We take the big end or the little end; they got to lick us to get the big end."

Donohue stepped out and saw that the White Sox got the big end. His play in that series was sheer genius. I shall discuss it in a later chapter, particularly as it related to Rome, a scout, who reached the height of fame in those games and then dropped out of sight.

George Kelly, of the Giants, is one of the great first basemen of the game. Kelly stands six feet three inches, and has an enormous reach. He is a wonderful target for his infielders. His great reach enables him to get high throws that no other first baseman could land, and also he is able to get wide ones and low ones. He is a strong and hard hitter, and intelligent. Kelly took a pitcher before he turned to first base, and as a pitcher he had a zipping fast ball, but it was straight as a string, and there-



back on first in time to take the catcher's throw and complete a double play. We won the game because of Jones' play. And this break up upset the Athletics that we won the remaining three games, making a clean sweep of the series and putting them out of the pennant race.

Most Important Play

I always regarded Jones' play as the most important of the season. Had Rossmann been on first in that situation, he would either have watched the man score without throwing the ball, or he would have heaved it over the catcher's head and two runs would have been scored. We would have lost the series and the pennant, for we needed that series to repeat as American League champions.

One first baseman who will always live in American League history was Jiggs Donohue. Next to the pitching staff, Donohue was instrumental in winning the pennant and world championship for the weak-hitting Chicago White Sox in 1906. Donohue was not a good hitter and not a great fielder, but he had a high competitive spirit. He was aggressive, game and a fighter.

Wide Broadcasting Programme Being Planned to Welcome in 1926

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—With the chiming in the tower of Parliament in London helping to ring in America's New Year, the most extensive and elaborate international radio broadcasting programme in history is being planned for the advent of the year 1926.

General James G. Harbord, president of the Radio Corporation of America, announced plans today for world-wide broadcasting, which in this country will have its focal point at the high-powered experimental station of the corporation at Bound Brook, N.J.

Operatic stars in New York, the Marine Band in Washington, and the Symphony Orchestra in Rochester, N.Y., will be among the features of the programme which will be broadcast across the seas, re-broadcast for the British Isles and the Continent.

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Strong Teams Chosen For International Soccer in Seattle

SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—The charity soccer game to be played at Denny Field, New Year's Day, between picked teams representing Washington and British Columbia should be one of the best ever staged in the Northwest, according to the elaborate collection of talent which has been lined up for the contest, the proceeds of which will go to the Orthopedic Hospital. The line-up of the rival teams follows:

British Columbia	Washington
Altken	Emal
Dryborough	David
Walters	Davis
Martin	McKinnon
McQuattie	Craig
Delaney	Barwick
Kerr	Harian
Hawley	Hill
Gemmell	Bennett
Lane	Griffiths
Smith	Hardy

Willenden magistrate: Does your husband keep the peace since he was bound over? Wife: Worse than that, sire, he never speaks.

Some Men Have All the Luck



There appears to be no limit to the good fortune of a British laborer named Hunter Charles Rogers. The 42-year-old, when gardening at Cobham, he mysteriously became the owner of pictures which he claimed as being by Constable, Correggio, Carp and Hogarth. He refused an offer of £10,000 for them. He is now the possessor of the Milk of Shakespear's play, which he found on a Warwickshire estate a few weeks ago. He is shown with some of the latter find.

Nearly Six Hundred Children Are Entertained at Rotary Club Tree

Wonderful Christmas Programme, Including Generous Tea, "Community Sing," Lantern Entertainment, and Distribution of Presents by Santa

"Bless their hearts! There's another Christmas party over! Great fun, but hard work, and I'm beginning to feel glad that I'll be able in a day or two to harness up my reindeer and start for my own little quiet cabin up at the North Pole!"

That was Santa's little aside yesterday afternoon when he had finished handing presents to six hundred children who attended the Rotary Club Christmas tree. It was also a wonderful affair in which the children were of orange peel and tinsel paper out of his tunic and whiskers, dishing up a little before proceeding to one or two other "trees" at which he had to officiate. But the Rotary Club one was quite the biggest of the work, and he felt that with his duties over there his time in Victoria was indeed limited.

This Rotary Club affair was a wonderful occasion for six hundred children who were the special guests of the afternoon. It was also a wonderful sight for the few grown-up who were privileged to be "in on it."

Early Party

The party began at half past two, and by three o'clock the dozens and dozens of tables were filled with bright-eyed youngsters, with an occasional mother. There was no loss of time waiting for the arrival of tea, and sandwiches and cake were already on the prettily-decorated tables, and the children "fell to" as soon as ordinary politeness allowed. A retinue of children followed from the Rotary Club membership attended to the seating of the children, and a bevy of "Rotarians" under the direction of Mr. Herbert Pendray, brought in tea, coffee and milk.

By three o'clock there was not an empty seat in the hall, and mothers were asked to take their smallest children to their knees to make room for the later arrivals. For the next half hour it was an animated scene of little folk enjoying the feast of good things provided by their kind hosts. After cake, ice cream cones were distributed. In the meantime crackers had been pulled, and gay head-dresses and other small instruments added to the animation of things.

Lantern Pictures

There was a delightful little entertainment between tea and the Christmas tree. The latter twinkling with beautiful colored electric lights kindly lent for the occasion by Messrs. Hawkins & Hayward, was well-lit throughout the evening. The children watched the lantern entertainment given by Mr. Albert Maynard. The pictures told the story of Alice in Wonderland, introducing Alice herself, the March hare, the Griffin, the Cheshire Cat, the White Queen, and all the other delightful characters. The children followed some wonderful illustrations of wild birds and wild animals, some views of Old Victoria, and, finally, some of the episodes from Gulliver's Travels.

The Rotary Club orchestra, directed by Rotarian Jimmy Miller, in the meantime did some "tuning up," and a breezy interval was filled with a "Community Sing-song," led by Rotarians Herbert Kent, James Hunter and Lamb (the last-mentioned gentleman got up in the garb of a very interesting old train with a carny bag from which he distributed chocolate bars and other largesse). "Pack Up Your Troubles," "Yes, We've Got No Bananas," "It Ain't Goin' to Rain No More," and other songs of that ilk were joined in with great gusto by the older children.

Santa Arrives

Santa arrived at 3:45 punctually. A shower of sleigh bells and a loud bang attracted all eyes in his direction, and a shriek of delight went up from six hundred small throats as they realized that Father Christmas was actually there.

He was brief and to the point; wished them all Ye Compliments of the Season and a hearty welcome to the Rotary entertainment; announced that he had just begun his preparations to go North when the invitation came for him to officiate at the distribution of gifts from this big tree, and said how surprised he was at the absence of snow from Victoria.

He then gave his instructions, which directed the children how to leave the room so that each would pass him and receive a gift. It was all carried out with amazing efficiency, and within half an hour the hall was almost deserted, although the corridors presented some animation from the children who loitered behind their new toys or to compare their presents with those of little companions. The covetable of all covetable gifts received by the boys were the hockey sticks and squirt-guns. Besides there were mechanical toys, horns, sailing-boats, toy wagons, toy telephones, books and games of all kinds. For the girls there

"The payment of magistrates is insufficient." "I hope they are out on strike!"—Ruy Blas, P.

Vancouver Island

Social Club Holds Progressive 500

The North Saanich Social Club held its regular weekly card party in the old school house. Progressive five hundred was played at fifteen tables. Winners of the prizes were Mrs. Lorenzen and Mr. Jeanne. Supper was in charge of Mrs. Lansbury, who was assisted by Miss D. Norbury and Miss M. Wals, after which dancing took place. Mrs. G. Maclean and Bill Basher supplying the music.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Peters are congratulating them on the birth of a son.

Mr. Percy Barker, of Seattle, has been staying with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barker, Amelia Avenue.

Miss Winnifred Fatt has been staying in Victoria for the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fatt.

The Misses Eileen and Dolly Howcott, of Victoria, have been visiting their parents on Queen's Avenue.

The friends of Mamie Lightgate will be sorry to hear she is in St. Joseph's Hospital to undergo a minor operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Hearn have returned home after spending Christmas and the New Year with Mr. and Mrs. Bimmonds, of Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. McKay and family have returned from Seattle, where they spent the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Anster and boys, of Victoria, are staying with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simister, Third Street.

Madame Sanderson-Mongin is staying at Residency, of All Bay. She is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Walkem, of Victoria, for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Simister and baby girl spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. M. Simister, Third Street.

A beautiful service was held at the United Church on Sunday evening. Carols were sung and at 7:30 the service began. The church was crowded. The choir sang "O Come, Emmanuel." Mr. Lowe and the Misses Latta singing the solos. The Rev. Mr. F. J. Bell, of Seattle, was the guest speaker. He preached on "Peace."

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Mr. and Mrs. James Briggs Baker are arriving on Tuesday to spend the New Year with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walker.

Mr. James Nimmo has arrived from Hixon Creek, Cariboo, and is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Nimmo.

Mrs. Pitts, Vancouver, is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Mackenzie.

The Saanich Pioneer Society will hold its annual ball in the Agricultural Hall, Saanichton, on New Year's Eve. Miss Thain's Orchestra will supply the music. Dancing will be from nine to one and will comprise the old-time dances as well as the modern ones.

Senior Basketball Played at Ladysmith

LADYSMITH, Dec. 30.—A good game of basketball was witnessed by an enthusiastic crowd, in the Athletic Hall, on Tuesday evening, when Ladysmith seniors met defeat by Vancouver. Other games were played during the evening, which were very spirited, showing that the juniors were right on to the points of the game. The visitors did not arrive until late in the evening, on account of the dense fog which prevailed.

The United Church was filled to its capacity on Tuesday evening, when the school held its annual Sunday school Christmas tree. Santa Claus caused a great deal of amusement for the children and also the adults, and presented numerous seasonal gifts to the kiddies, who thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and sang some singing the praises of Santa Claus.

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Ladysmith Plans Children's Treat

LADYSMITH, Dec. 30.—Great preparation is being made by the members of St. John's Church, who are making a special effort to give the children a genuine treat at the annual Sunday school tree, to be held on Wednesday evening in the new parish hall. Santa Claus will distribute a great variety of gifts, afterwards tea will be served, and the evening will conclude with an amateur play given by the children. The programme is one which should be very attractive.

Miss Dick, of Vancouver, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. McCallum, for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. Chittenden motored to Victoria to spend Christmas at his home there. The dance held under the auspices of the junior football team on Christmas night was well attended, all present pronounced it to be one of the most enjoyable socials of the season.

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MARINE and TRANSPORTATION

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Arrival of New Princesses and Development of Passenger Traffic Have Rendered Record Notable

Some Prominent Features

This year has been a remarkable one in the history of the British Columbia Coast Service of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Three outstanding features will signalize it in the years to come. First, the arrival of the new passenger liners Princess Kathleen and Marguerite, for the triangular service; second, the exceptional tourist travel in the summer season, which rendered the venture a success; and third, the remarkable progress of the Alaskan trade, which has become a real factor to be cared for in transportation arrangements.

Captain J. W. Troup, the manager, considers the season to have been better than had been expected, but this he attributes to the fact that the company has been able to take care on the triangular run of the great parties of American fraternal bodies which rolled in thousands to their meeting places along the Pacific Coast. The vessels were ready when the peak season came, and thus hundreds saw the city and had at least a glimpse of the island, who would doubtless otherwise have gone through by rail from Seattle to Vancouver, or in the reverse direction.

Alaska Trade

The Alaska business has become one of the most popular on the whole connections of the company, and the vessels were thronged with tourists, big game hunters, and picturesque figures which gave a romantic glamour to a voyage through scenery

of grandeur and picturesque fascination.

The year saw the arrival on the coast of the tug St. Florence, now renamed the Kyokui, which was built for the British Admiralty for mine sweeping purposes during the latter part of the war, but was not used, at a cost of \$250,000. She took the place of the tug Nitinat, which was sold to the Pacific Salvage Company, and later wrecked.

Official Change

During the year a change has taken place in the management of the coast service. Capt. Troup now having associated with him Captain C. D. Seroussi as assistant manager, while a marine superintendent has been appointed at Vancouver in the person of Captain H. W. McMurray, formerly staff captain of the Empress of Scotland, who was commissioned to bring out the two new Princesses from the Old Country.

Dock Extension

To keep abreast of the expansion of the Seattle business district, the company acquired a new wharf, known as the Bell Street terminal, last May.

Arabia Maru Is Setting Record

O.S.K. Liner Bringing In 10,124 Bales of Raw Silk Valued at \$10,000,000

With 10,124 bales of raw silk and sixty measurements of silk goods, the largest shipment of its kind ever dispatched from the Orient on an Osaka Kwanan Kaisha liner, the Arabia Maru is reported due here on January 5.

The great silk shipment, which will make history for trans-Pacific commerce, will fill thirty-three railway cars and will be routed to New York in two special Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul trains, which will be held in waiting at the Seattle terminal.

The previous record for a trans-Pacific silk shipment on an O.S.K. liner was 8,000 bales. This was valued at \$9,600,000. Silk was then worth \$1,200 a bale. The price has dropped since then and is worth only \$1,000 a bale, so that the record shipment coming in on the Arabia Maru is valued at \$10,000,000.

Together with the silk the entire cargo on the Arabia Maru is valued at \$14,000,000. The sixty tons of silk goods is one of the big items on the ship's manifest, the commodity being next in value to the raw silk.

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Busy Session On Waterfront Set for Today

Fifty-Three Thousand Tons of Shipping to Be Handled During Next Twenty-Four Hours

Ship Will Be Drydocked

A busy session will be experienced along the waterfront today, when no less than 53,000 tons of shipping will be handled. The City of Vancouver, which anchored in the Royal Roads at 11 o'clock last night, will be dry-docked at Esquimalt for general overhaul before going on berth to load lumber for Japan.

At 8 a.m. the Admiral Oriental liner President Jackson is expected to reach William Head quarantine station, and after securing pratique, will dock at the Outer Wharf at 6 a.m. The Jackson has 1,252 tons of freight for discharge at Victoria, in addition to ninety bags of mail and some thirty passengers. There are 211 passengers on board the Jackson all told, while the ship shipment amounts to 6,000 bales.

The steamer Dunegun is due in from sea at 7 o'clock this morning and after passing quarantine will dock at the Ogden Point Piers, where she will commence loading 550,000 feet of lumber for Florida.

In the afternoon the S.S. Kaga Maru will dock here at 4:30 o'clock from Seattle to pick up passengers and cargo before proceeding to Yokohama and other Oriental ports. The Kaga Maru is taking out a capacity cargo of freight, while all passenger accommodation on this vessel has been sold out for several days.

The Ruth Alexander, of the Admiral Line, will sail for San Francisco and other California ports at 11 o'clock tonight, after picking up more than seventy passengers here.

Shipping along the waterfront on New Year's day will be broken by the departure of the British steamer Ariadne, which has been under-going repairs by the Victoria Machinery Depot Company. This is the only deep sea movement on New Year's day that is scheduled so far.

Toyama Maru in From Far East

N.Y.K. Liner Has Rich Silk Shipment—Discharges 200 Tons of Freight Here

Docking here at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Toyama Maru cleared for Seattle at 5:30 o'clock, after discharging approximately 200 tons of freight. Captain N. Ezawa reported a rough passage, the vessel encountering strong head winds.

The Toyama Maru brought in a heavy shipment of goods from Japan. There were 6,236 bales of raw silk and 100 cases of silk waste valued at more than \$7,000,000 on board. The total amount of cargo was 3,000 tons, of which 600 tons was for transshipment by intercoastal steamers. For Seattle the liner had 1,325 tons of freight, comprising chiefly porcelain, hempsed and crude rubber. There were 450 bags of mail on board, of which seventy-seven sacks were set down here.

There was only one first-class passenger on board, Mr. Takehiko Akada, who had been connected with the N.Y.K. at Kobe, and was placed in charge of the export and import department of the same line in Seattle. Mr. M. Doi, who formerly held that position at Kobe, had been transferred to the head office.

Shipping Information

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Time of sunrise and sunset, Pacific Standard time at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1923

	Sun.	Rise.	Sun.	Set.
1	7:40	4:21	17	8:00 4:19
2	7:40	4:21	18	8:01 4:18
3	7:40	4:21	19	8:02 4:17
4	7:40	4:21	20	8:03 4:16
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10	7:40	4:21	26	8:09 4:10
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12	7:40	4:21	28	8:11 4:08
13	7:40	4:21	29	8:12 4:07
14	7:40	4:21	30	8:13 4:06
15	7:40	4:21	31	8:14 4:05

The Meteorological Observatory, Gussie Heights, Victoria, B.C.

TIDES AT VICTORIA

DECEMBER

Date	High Time	High Water	Low Time	Low Water
1	7:15	9.1	1:15	4.2
2	8:00	9.1	2:00	4.2
3	8:45	9.1	2:45	4.2
4	9:30	9.1	3:30	4.2
5	10:15	9.1	4:15	4.2
6	11:00	9.1	5:00	4.2
7	11:45	9.1	5:45	4.2
8	12:30	9.1	6:30	4.2
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Ocean and Coastwise Movements

VESSEL MOVEMENTS

PORTLAND, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Robert Johnson, Yaquina. Sailed: Admiral Farragut, San Francisco; West Kona, Seattle.

TACOMA, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Steam schooner Jacob, Los Angeles; Robin Hood, Baltimore; Cape St. Martin, Yokohama; Yosida Maru, Kobe. Sailed: Arisaka, Antwerp; West Lion, Kobe.

SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Arisaka, Wapama, Ruth Alexander, Tacoma; Horace X. Baxter, Everett; Ocean Anacortes, Skagway; Los Angeles, Sydney Maru, Muroran; Victoria, Alaska; Hensen, San Francisco; Cramp, Portland. Sailed: Skagway, Thomas P. Bear, Cape St. Martin, Victoria, Tacoma; Fukuyo Maru, Kobe; Moerdyk, Portland; Admiral Rogers, Alaska.

EVERETT, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Stanwood, Los Angeles; Ruth Alexander, Seattle. Sailed: Robin Hood, Horace X. Baxter, Seattle.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Clons, Seattle; Curaco, Astoria; Multnomah, Gray Harbor; Richmond, Caddopeak, Port Angeles; Admiral Peary, Yale, San Pedro; Freda, Pierce, Manila; Pasadena, Albion; Admiral Seebie, Port Angeles; Lurline, Honolulu; Uden, Singapore; Edna, Astoria; Hartwood, Haystack, President Adams, New York; Colusa, Seattle. Sailed: Makuna, Sydney; H. F. McCormick, Portland; Dintelyk, Vancouver; W. E. Miller, San Pedro; Manon, Honolulu; Lassen, Gray Harbor; Eldorado, Portland; Hamilton F. McCormick, Portland; Yale, San Pedro; South Coast, Crescent City.

ARRIVED

CRISTOBAL, Dec. 29.—Norwich City, Portland, Maine, for Vancouver; Lillian Luckenbach, Centerville, San Pedro; Gladiator, San Francisco.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 25.—West Island, San Francisco.

BIRKENHEAD, Dec. 26.—Dalemore, San Francisco.

WELLINGTON, Dec. 26.—Tabili, San Francisco.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 28.—Cinro Maru, President Adams, New York; YOKOHAMA, Dec. 27.—Akagisan Maru, Portland.

Sailed

MELBOURNE, Dec. 24.—Haradanger, President Adams, New York; NAGASAKI, Dec. 28.—Honkoku Maru, Tacoma.

WHEELER REPORT

Ketchikan, 4 P.M., December 30. Wallingford, San Pedro for San Francisco; seventy miles south of San Francisco.

Glynn, Columbia River for San Pedro; 678 miles from San Pedro. Milan Maru, Portland for Yokohama; 200 miles from Ketchikan. Pedro, Gladiator, San Francisco for Vancouver; 720 miles from Vancouver.

Weather Report

Puget Sound—Clear, southeast light; 30.21; 40; light swell.

Ketchikan—Cloudy, southeast light; 30.20; 40; moderate swell.

Prince Rupert—Rain, southeast light; 30.20; 40; moderate swell.

Alert Bay—Overcast, calm; 30.20; 40; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Fog, calm; 30.20; 31; sea smooth.

Ss. Robin Hood Hits

Scow on Puget Sound

SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—The freighter Robin Hood, bound from Tacoma for Seattle, collided with a scow today off West Point light, the north boundary of Seattle harbor. The scow was not damaged and proceeded. The freighter was not damaged. The collision was in a dense fog. The house of the scow was damaged.

Wolf Cubs Hosts

At Merry Party

Entertain Eighty-Five Little Boys and Girls at Tree—Lieut. Governor Present

Harmony Hall held a riotously happy party yesterday afternoon when the Victoria Wolf Cubs entertained at a Christmas tree eighty-five small boys and girls of families which have not been so well favored by circumstances during the last few months.

All the children were under twelve years of age and when they arrived at the hall were inclined to be rather shy. But the cordial informality of their young hosts soon thawed the atmosphere and within half an hour the whole party resembled one big family of small brothers and sisters engaged in an absorbingly exciting game. It was an afternoon crowded with happenings, including a splendid little lantern show by Mr. James Bryant, a very warm friend of the Scouts and Cubs. Then there were games and a big tea which contained everything dear to the child heart.

The big event was the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree. His Honor Lieutenant-Governor W. C. Nichol, Scout patron and one of the best friends which the movement has in this part of the world, arrived with his secretary, Mr. H. J. S. Muskett, and was a delighted onlooker during Santa's time of action. The tree was a sparkling sight with its lighted candles and tinsel hangings. There was a toy and a book for each child, also a bag of candy and oranges, and after this was over there were more games and games in which all shared.

A clever little Scout play, presented by St. Mary's Scouts, was one of the memorable episodes of the afternoon and was warmly applauded. The arrangements for the happy celebration were carried out by Lady Cubmaster Sheldon-Williams and District Commissioner H. T. Ravenhill, assisted by others.

Alaskan Park Chief Denies Mount McKinley in Eruption

Superintendent Finds No Trace of Reported Disturbance—Black Clouds Hovering About Mountain Top Without Special Significance, Official Says

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Dec. 30.—Denial of reports that Mount McKinley, about 150 miles north of here, had erupted, was voiced by Henry P. Karstens, superintendent of McKinley National Park, in a statement here tonight.

"I have made a trip of investigation and find no evidence of a disturbance of any description," he declared. "I found no smoke or steam, and see no possibility of an eruption. The mountain is solid rock and ice. Black clouds are a common occurrence in that vicinity and are of no special significance. The weather in the park is calm and cold. There is no indication of any impending storm locally."

Karstens was with Archdeacon Hudson Stuck in the first successful ascent of the highest peak of Mount McKinley in 1913. The mountain is the highest peak in North America.

Balmer Climate Hoped

The reports that the mountain had erupted had been current here for some time. Smoke and steam had been seen rising in great volume from its peak, the rumors said.

The supposed eruption, together with an earthquake felt here yesterday, led many to believe that radical permanent climatic changes were taking place in the southern part of Alaska.

Since Mount Shishaldin, in the Aleutians, 800 miles southwest of McKinley, erupted November 11, this region has experienced a Spring-like November and December unparalleled in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. Storms, usually frozen at this season, have remained open and in place of the usual snowbound landscape green vegetation is seen.

Christmas Day Balm

The affected area covers several hundred square miles, all along Cook Inlet, to the northwest of McKinley, and far up into the valley of the Shishaldin. Anchorage had a Fahrenheit temperature of twenty-eight degrees above Christmas Day, when the mercury usually is around zero.

Mount McKinley's reported smoking appeared to mean a shifting northwestward of Alaskan volcanic activity, which hitherto has centered in the southern end of the Alaskan range of which McKinley is a northern outpost.

The greatest recent outbreak was in 1912, when Mount Katmai blew off its three-mile wide cap and the Valley of the Ten Thousand Smokes came into being. A year ago Mount Pavlov erupted and last month Mount Shishaldin followed suit. Each of the eruptions was accompanied by earthquakes and climatic changes.

Since the Shishaldin blow-off, the warm air from Cook Inlet's heated waters has caused considerable melting of large glaciers.

Fires Gnaw Way North

Observers believe that subterranean fires are gnawing their way northward, producing temperatures

below the ocean surface which, like the Gulf Stream and the Japanese current, east their warming influence inland.

Geologists consider these forces similar to those which ages ago submerged the land between North America and Asia, and while no such major alteration is probable now, many think the banishment of the former blither Winters from this part of Alaska may be permanent.

NOME, Alaska, Dec. 30.—Rain fell in Nome today after ten days of ideal weather, with the temperature ranging about thirty-two degrees above zero. Only five inches of snow are on the ground, and the ice in Bering Sea has receded to about a mile from shore.

Automobiles are still running. The local fire department, which changed yesterday from wheels to sleds, declared that this was the latest the change had been made in more than twenty years.

Heavy Fine Is Meted Out to Ah Yick Shing

Chinaman Taken in Police and Customs Raid Fined \$375—Complete Still and Much Liquor Seized

Customs to Make Charge

Ah Yick Shing, the Chinaman who was arrested on December 13, following a sensational raid made on his home on Hornby Island by Provincial police, and Mr. George Norris, Victoria Customs Preventive officer, was fined \$375 in the Columbia court yesterday. It was learned on the return of Mr. Norris to the city last night.

The raid made on Yick Shing's home resulted in a complete still, twelve 3-gallon barrels of hooch liquor, eighty 4-gallon barrels of liquor, three tons of rice and a thirty-five foot gasoline launch.

The case against Shing was preferred under the Government Liquor Act. No charge has yet been made by the Customs and Excise Department.

On the same day that the raid was made on Yick Shing, Provincial police raided four places in Nanaimo, returning \$300 worth of unsealed liquor, opium and smoking paraphernalia. Six Chinamen were arrested.

Young crocodiles in zoos have to have separate nurseries, otherwise the smaller ones may be attacked and killed by their larger relatives.

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